

2015 MAI SOLI ZINFANDEL MCCLONE VINEYARD EL DORADO AVA, CALIFORNIA



THE WINE:

A classic Sierra Foothills Zinfandel produced by one of Zinfandel's true pioneers. The wine is 100% Zinfandel from older vines (up to 75 years old), along the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Produced in only 112 cases, the grapes were hand-picked from old head-trained Zinfandel vines and barrel aged in American oak for 24 months. The vineyard has been certified organic since 2006.

THE ESTATE:

Made by Joe Ramazzotti this wine brings together the old world traditions of Italian winemakers and the classic new world style of Zinfandel. Joe and his wife Norma run Ramazzotti Winery in Geyserville, CA which was established in 2002. Joe has been growing Zinfandel grapes for over 50 years in Dry Creek after immigrating to the US from Italy at 7 years old. Joe has earned the reputation as one of the world's best farmers of the Zinfandel grape and with access to over 5,000 acres of Zinfandel vines throughout California he has selected his favorite parcels for the production of his own wines.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: deep garnet with reflections of ruby

Aromas: sweet red berry and candlebox spices lead to black raspberry and just whispers of dusty, white pepper

Flavor & Texture: ripe red fruits and vanilla bean lead into a soft, lush body with exotic, incense-like spices; the mild tannins and rounds acids are classically Zinfandel and make this an easy sipper

Food Pairing: gourmet burgers with smoked gouda, caramelized onions, sweet bbq sauce and fresh greens

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