

# Elyse Winery



## ZINFANDEL KORTE RANCH VINEYARD ST. HELENA • NAPA VALLEY

2013

**PRODUCTION**  
1,316 cases (12-pack 750ml)

**SOURCES**  
Korte Ranch Vineyard  
Chavez-Leeds Vineyard

**BLEND**  
Zinfandel 89%  
Combination 11%  
(Petite Sirah,  
Carignane,  
Valdigué,  
Grand Noir)

**HARVEST DATES**  
September 9, 11

**HARVEST BRIX**  
25.2°, 25.5°

**MACERATION**  
14 day native yeast  
fermentation

**AGING**  
10 ½ months in  
American oak  
(25% new)

**PH**      **TA**  
3.79      5.39 g/L

**ALCOHOL**  
14.3%

### TASTING NOTES

Deep garnet colored with generous aromas of raspberry, black plum, caramel, cinnamon, clove and orange zest. Smooth entry with a broad mouthfeel leading to bright and lively flavors of sweet blackberry, blueberry, cracked black pepper, cassis and hints of coffee, licorice and spice. Lush and lavishly textured this wine's well integrated tannins and rich fruit make it very approachable and enjoyable now but if you manage to hold some back it will age nicely for another 5 – 10 years.

### THE VINEYARD

Korte Ranch is located just north of the town of St. Helena along the Napa River on Ehlers Lane. It is truly one of the most distinctive and classic Zinfandel vineyards left in Napa Valley with the vines we source from being a minimum of 70 years old. It has been family owned for four generations and was a bonded winery before prohibition. The gnarly old head trained, dry farmed vines are planted where the eastern and western hillsides meet. This beautiful property is perfectly suited for high quality grape growing from the cool morning and nighttime temperatures to the loose soils of rocky loam which help make wine of unique and bold character.