

2017

ZINFANDEL

KORTE RANCH
ST. HELENA
NAPA VALLEY



HARVEST DATES: 9/4
GRAPE SOURCE: Korte Ranch
BLEND: 89% Zinfandel and
11% Petite Sirah,
Carignane,
Valdiguié, and
Grand Noir
HARVEST BRIX: 27.8°
MACERATION: 14 day native yeast
fermentation
AGING: 10 ½ months in
American Oak (30%
new)
PH: 3.44
TA: 6.97 G/L
ALCOHOL: 14.8%
PRODUCTION: 407 cases 12-pack
750ml

TASTING NOTES:

Crimson in color with generous aromas of briar patch, stone fruit, cinnamon, vanilla, star anise, and hints of cocoa. A soft entry immediately leads to a full palate of blackberries, blueberries, and wisps of spicy oak. The 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.

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.



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