

BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

BROWN ESTATE 2013 ROSEMARY'S BLOCK ZINFANDEL

Composition	100% Estate Grown Zinfandel
Vineyard Source	Rosemary's Block, Brown Estate
Appellation	Napa Valley
Barrel Aging	12 months in 30% new oak, 50/50 French/American
Alcohol	15.7% by vol.
Production	700 cases in 12 x 750ml format

Vineyard Source

Our five-acre Rosemary's Block vineyard is the yin to Mickey's yang. Just a stone's throw from Mickey's, Rosemary's rows enjoy east-west orientation, thus benefiting from full sun throughout the day, with evening shade provided by a nearby stand of oak trees. This distinct exposure produces markedly different grapes that feature red fruit characteristics and effervescent citrus. Our Rosemary's Block vineyard is well known for producing high-definition, high-intensity fruit with magnificent focus and delicate extraction.

Growing Season

The 2013 growing season was marked by steady, even, constant conditions. A mild and dry spring led to early budbreak with vigorous canopy growth and picture perfect fruit set and development. September surprised us with sudden slight showers that thankfully had virtually no impact on this flawless growing season. Following the dreamlike conditions of 2012, winegrowers once again thanked our lucky stars for another stellar year, where harvest commenced at our discretion and not in response to season-ending storms.

Tasting Notes

Intense cool blue and still black core with magenta rim. True to its origins, refreshing bouquet features vibrant ripe red fruits, effervescent citrus, and exotic spice. Time in the glass fosters an unexpected turn toward dark black fruits with hand-whipped heavy cream, graham cracker, clove, lavender, and black pepper. Mouthfeel is silky and long with deep, decadent sweet cassis and subtle hints of cocoa and cinder. Moodier than previous vintages, this 2013 bottling dares you to linger longer and venture into its great beyond. Drink now to 2020 with confidence, and to 2025 for academic enjoyment.