

BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

BROWN ESTATE 2017 EL DORADO ZINFANDEL

David has been making Zinfandel for nearly 25 years and while he remains pretty humble about it he is considered a “Zin master” in some quarters. Two small Zin growers in the Sierra Foothills who know someone who knows David pitched him a proposition: *We’d love to see what you can do with our fruit.* David was intrigued by the climate conditions which albeit due to different factors are relatively similar to the prevailing conditions at Brown Estate. He took on small quantities of fruit from both sites, blended together here to create a brand new addition to the Brown Zin lineup, our first non-estate Zinfandel bottling.

Technical

Composition: 100% Zinfandel

Vineyard source: 75% Hawks Creek, 25% Damiano

Appellation: Sierra Foothills

Barrel aging: 24 months in neutral oak

ABV: 15.5%

pH: 3.62

TA: 7 g/L

Production: 425 cases in 12 x 750ml format

Sensory

Eye: Black cherry core with garnet rim.

Nose: Cedar, violet, sandalwood, leather, iris, cardamom, white flowers, clean linen.

Palate: Silky mouthfeel, medium body, soft tannins, long finish.

Cellar life: Drink now through 2030.