

BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

BROWN ESTATE 2021 NAPA VALLEY ZINFANDEL “VINTAGE NO. 26”

And just like that we present vintage no. 26 of our flagship Napa Valley Zinfandel, having regrettably abridged our milestone vintage no. 25 due to 2020 wildfire impacts. Traditionally — that is from 1996 through 2017 — our Napa Zin was comprised entirely of Brown Estate fruit. Commencing with the 2018 vintage we began integrating select lots of non-estate fruit to give this wine a wider range in terms of its nominal footprint — i.e., to expand its representation of Napa Valley Zinfandel beyond the confines of our property, and with benefit of David’s 20+ years working with this singular varietal. The current vintage is comprised of fruit from Brown Estate as well as our esteemed Chiles Valley neighbor Green & Red, along with two Valley floor vineyards from which we also produced standalone Zins for 2021. And on we go!

Technical

Composition: 100% Napa Valley Zinfandel

Vineyard source: Brown Estate | Chiles Valley | Yountville | Calistoga

Appellation: Napa Valley

Barrel aging: 8 months in 30% new oak, 50/50 French/American

ABV: 14.5%

pH: 3.6

TA: 6.5 g/L

Production: 2100 cases in 12 x 750ml format + 600 cases in 6 x 1500ml format

Sensory

Eye: Garnet core, ruby rim.

Nose: Hallmark characteristics of dried hibiscus flowers and rose petals, Asian spice, violets, vanilla-allspice-ginger spicebox, and subtle cedar.

Palate: Medium body, soft, smooth, and supple with lush, creamy mouthfeel.

Cellar life: Drink now through 2035+.