

# BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

## BROWN ESTATE 2023 CALISTOGA ZINFANDEL

For our 2021 production cycle we added an “appellation series” of Napa Valley Zinfandel bottlings from Calistoga, Oakville, and Yountville. For the 2023 vintage we reprised two of the three. This offering is sourced from two longtime family-owned vineyards on opposite sides of the Valley floor, one bisected by the Napa River, the other in the shadow of the Palisades mountain range. This bottling captures both the warmth and the mineral tension that define Calistoga.

### Technical

**Composition:** 100% Zinfandel

**Vineyard source:** Calistoga Confidential

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Barrel aging:** 10 months in 30% new French oak

**ABV:** 14.5%

**pH:** 3.79

**TA:** 5.8 g/L

**Production:** 680 cases in 12 x 750ml format

### Sensory

**Eye:** Fuschia rim, dark garnet core.

**Nose:** Tea rose and sweet white florals followed by cherry pastille and raspberry liqueur. Beneath the fruit lies a distinct graphite minerality, lending tension and depth. Subtle dried herbs add aromatic interest and complexity.

**Palate:** Medium-bodied yet concentrated, this wine makes an energetic entry featuring bright red and dark berry tones gliding across the midpalate with a throughline of graphite, fine tannins, vibrant acidity, and a long, lingering finish.

**Cellar life:** Drink now through ~2038.