

# PEDRONCELLI



### BUSHNELL VINEYARD HISTORY

Located on the eastern hillsides of Dry Creek Valley, the 22-acre Bushnell Vineyard has been closely related to the Pedroncelli family for over 50 years. Winery founder John Sr. purchased the property in 1945, and, at the time, it was planted to Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Carignane. The vineyard was sold to son-in-law AI Pedroni in the 1950's and he tended the vineyard for over 40 years. Al's daughter Carol Bushnell inherited the vineyard in the 1990s and she and her husband Jim now farm it. They grow Zinfandel and Petite Sirah.

#### WINEMAKING

The warm growing season gave the Zinfandel fruit ripe aromas and flavors ahead of time creating a very dense and concentrated wine from this vintage. The grapes were harvested on September 6 and fermentation took place in a small capacity stainless steel tank which lends better skin-to-juice ratio. Daily pumpovers over the cap of grape skins extracts color, flavor and tannin. The young wine was transferred to American oak barrels to age for sixteen months. The time in the barrel added complexity, creating a softer, smoother wine.

#### TASTING NOTES

Lush brambly fruit with hints of jammy blueberry, cinnamon spice and a hint of smokiness combines with flavors of ripe berry, vanilla and cracked black pepper with hints of warm baking spices. Round and velvety with smooth tannins and a sweet lingering finish, this wine has all the classic Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel features. A rich, complex and well-balanced wine. It will cellar nicely for 5–8 years.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

COMPOSITION 100% Zinfandel

BARREL AGING 16 Months American oak barrels, 30% new oak

**ALCOHOL** 15.5%

**рН** 3.79

TOTAL ACIDITY .675g/100mg

# ZINFANDEL | BUSHNELL VINEYARD v. 2014 SONOMA COUNTY, DRY CREEK VALLEY

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