

2011 CENTENNIAL ZINFANDEL

FOR THE LOVE OF FARM AND FAMILY

We respect the land where our vineyards grow - it gives our family roots, a sense of place, and a connection to nature. It gives our wine an identity, a foundation, and individuality. Distinct soil and climate, coupled with our responsible farming practices, highlight our land through our vineyards and establish our wine's character every vintage. We do this to draw a connection back to the land while giving you a taste of estate and sustainably grown wines from our generational farm in Lodi, California.

GROWING SEASON

The 2011 season brought Lodi and Clarksburg Appellations one of the coolest springs in the past six years with below average temperatures and heavy rains. Our mid-80's summer temperatures, with just a few days over 95 and cool evenings, created a well-balanced vine, but delayed harvest. Once harvest began, white varietals produced softer yields resulting in intense flavors and wonderful quality. In October we received rain, but fortunately our water-sensitive varietals were harvested and the remaining red varietals could shrug off a wet day. With a cooler year and lucky timing, our red wines showcase deep color, robust aromas and concentrated flavors.

VINEYARD NOTES

Planted in 1903 the Lewis vineyard is "head-trained, spur-pruned", where the vines have a central trunk with arms growing in all different directions. This goblet shape allows for uniform sun exposure and a distribution of grape bunches ideal for ripening.

WINEMAKER NOTES

As the 105th vintage crafted from the Lewis Family Vineyard, our 2011 Centennial Zinfandel continues to be a reflection of these old growth vines. Our traditional hands-off approach to winemaking allows the natural richness and complexity of this historic vineyard to shine through. Concentrated flavors of raspberry and black licorice seamlessly meld together with tones of warm spice and vanilla from 24 months in fine grained American Oak barrels. With a velvety texture and supple tannins this is an elegant single vineyard Zinfandel that celebrates Lodi's long history of this exceptional varietal.

WINE STATISTICS

Varietal Zinfandel

Vineyard Lewis

Appellation Lodi

Vintage 2011

Alcohol 15.6%

Winemaker David Akiyoshi

Winegrowers LangeTwins Family

Estate Grown | Certified Sustainable

