

Renwood Jack Rabbit Flat Zinfandel



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2002 Jack Rabbit Flat Zinfandel is a dark ruby color that offers powerful jammy fruit characters of blackberry, cherry and plum with peppercorn and black pepper. On the palate, aromas of berry fruit and flavors of blackberry jam, cherry, white pepper, cocoa, mocha and blueberry that linger through the finish. This wine finishes with vanilla and hints of cedar and oak.

VINTAGE

The growing season of 2002 will be remembered for its high quality and short, condensed harvest. Ideal weather patterns during the growing season resulted in small berries and high flavor extraction in the wines. A very cool summer provided slow and consistent flavor development. A warmer than usual September and October accelerated the sugars resulting in a very intense and compacted harvest period. The weather remained dry throughout the harvest, resulting in perfect fruit condition.

VINEYARDS

The block called "Jack Rabbit Flat" Zinfandel comes from the Fox Creek Vineyard, which is one of the classic ancient vineyards of Amador County that was planted over 80 years ago. This immaculately maintained vineyard gives the head-trained vines the ability to ripen to maximum potential. Thus, the fruit is picked at the highest degree of ripeness, resulting in a wine of great richness and complexity.

FERMENTATION AND AGING

The fruit was fermented in closed top stainless steel tank, followed by 10 day extended maceration on the skins. The wine was aged 19 months in a combination of New American oak and 2-year-old French oak.

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Technical Data:

2002 "Jack Rabbit Flat" Zinfandel



Aged: 19 months in 30% New American and 70% 1-year-old French oak

Bottled: September 2005

Production: 2,038 cases

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.42

TA: 0.78g/100ml

Appellation: Amador County

Suggested Retail Price: \$30.00



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