

— Est. 1970 —

TERRA d'ORO



2016 ZINFANDEL

HOME VINEYARD, AMADOR COUNTY

VINEYARD INFORMATION

Planted in 1977, our Home Vineyard is 100% sustainably farmed and comprises a mere four acres of the Terra d'Oro estate's 600 acres of vines. The vineyard is surrounded by mature Valley Oak trees with extremely deep roots that monopolize the water supply, causing the grapevines to compete for nutrients. As the vines struggle, they focus their limited energy on creating robust, intensely flavored Zinfandel grapes. Home Vineyard differs from typical Zinfandel vineyards in that it produces loose clusters with round berries, allowing the grapes to ripen uniformly. Zinfandel wines from this vineyard are exceptionally soft with a plush structure.

WINEMAKING

The grapes for this limited-release wine were de-stemmed and lightly crushed into separate half-ton macro bins, where they remained in contact with the skins for the full duration of their 14-day fermentation. The solid skin caps were punched down four times daily to maximize the extraction of vivid color, flavor and tannins in the Zinfandel grapes. The wine was aged in a combination of French and American oak barrels, 30 percent of which were new, for 13 months.

TASTING NOTES

The Terra d'Oro 2016 Home Vineyard Zinfandel opens with sweet aromas of pepper, pomegranate, cinnamon, raspberry, anise, burnt cream and dark cherry notes. The palate is plush and dense, bursting with lavish plum flavors and a spicy finish. The entry of this wine is fruit forward and elegant with dark fruit and cream that drives the finish. Another signature year from this vineyard, the 2016 vintage is approachable and smooth, thanks to its ripe tannins. A bold, fruit-forward wine, the Terra d'Oro 2016 Home Vineyard Zinfandel pairs nicely with comfort food such as a juicy burger topped with aged cheddar and Applewood smoked bacon.



COMPOSITION: 100% ZINFANDEL
ALCOHOL: 14.5%
T.A.: 0.55 G/100ML
PH: 3.76
CASES PRODUCED: 945 6-PACKS
RELEASE DATE: MARCH 2018
SRP: \$30