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## R & B Cellars 2010 Allegrezza Zinfandel Napa Valley

Vineyards:	Harris Kratka, Alexander Valley
Composition:	75% Zinfandel, 12.5% Petite Sirah, 12.5% Carignon
Harvested:	October 2010
Bottled:	August 2013
Released:	October 2013
Production:	200 Cases
Cooperage:	100% French Oak 8 coopers – Jarnac, Rousseau, St. Martin, Boutes, Vicard, Seguin Moreau, Treuil, Radoux

Aged 24 months in all brand new French oak

## <u>Vineyards</u>

The Harris Kratka Vineyard has long been producing stellar Zinfandel. Tucked away in Alexander Valley, this vineyard produces small berry clones that benefit from extended hang time for optimal ripeness, producing a rich, dark Zinfandel.

## The Wine

The fruit was harvested in late October, then hand sorted, crushed and de-stemmed into a combination of steel tank and three-quarter ton macro bins. A three-day cold soak was done before fermentation. Hand punched down and pump-overs done twice a day during fermentation and then gently pressed off into 100% French oak barrels. The wine was racked four times while aging in barrels; then lightly filtered for bottling.

## Winemaker's Comments

Alexander Valley, and the Harris Kratka Vineyard in particular, are known for its dark, rich, intense Zinfandel. Blackberries, dark black cherries and black raspberries are the predominant fruits in this rich, extracted wine. Hints of cola, eucalyptus, dark chocolate and exotic spice round out this mouth-watering Zinfandel. Revel in the long, silky finish.

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