



R & B Cellars 2011 Allegrezza Zinfandel Napa Valley

Vineyards: Harris Kratka, Alexander Valley

Composition: 75% Zinfandel, 12.5% Petite Si

12.5% Carignane

Harvested: October 2011

Bottled: August 2014

Released: October 2014

Production: 249 Cases

Cooperage: 100% French Oak

8 coopers – Jarnac, Rousseau, Martin, Boutes, Vicard, Seguin

Moreau, Treuil, Radoux

Aged 24 months in all brand new French oak

Vineyards

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 Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Carignane were 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; the three varietals were co-fermented. 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