

2008 MENDOCINO COUNTY ZINFANDEL

PHILOSOPHY

Mendocino is more than a geographical location; it's a state of mind. Cross the border from Sonoma County and your perspective suddenly changes. Edmeades is pure Mendocino. It is the authentic taste of one of California's final viticultural frontiers – the Anderson Valley. Our approach is traditional and natural; our methods are decidedly low tech. We believe in native yeast fermentations in small open-top bins, hand punchdowns, minimal manipulation and no fining or filtration at bottling. The simplicity of our methods allows the soils and climates of each site to be clearly heard in our wines.

HISTORY

Edmeades is famous for its limited bottlings of iconoclastic Zinfandel from the cool, coastal vineyards of Mendocino County. Dr. Edmeades planted his first 11 acres of vineyards in 1963. He founded his winery and launched his own brand in 1972. The Jackson Family purchased Edmeades in 1988 and continue to pioneer Zinfandel from Mendocino County.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

"The 2008 Edmeades Mendocino Zin is reminiscent of Sunday night dinner with the whole family: aromas of Great Grandma Jancine's homemade cherry pie coming out of the oven, the fireplace roaring with oak logs and everyone looking forward to a great evening of wine, food, and camaraderie.

This year's tannins are soft and supple, the cherry fruit is vivacious, and the addition of Petite Sirah and Syrah adds a nice rural feel with earthy notes and some nice structure. Aging the wine should help it evolve into a nicely layered and complex Zinfandel, with toast and smokiness from the oak picking up in intensity." -David Ready, Jr., Winemaker

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STATISTICS	2008 MENDOCINO COUNTY ZINFANDEL			
APPELLATION	COMPOSITION	OAK	ALCOHOL	PH
Mendocino County	Zinfandel, Petit Sirah, Syrah	13.5 months in 63% French, (35% new) 37% American	15.4%	3.91
RELEASE DATE			TA	CASES
June 2010			0.52g/100ml	30,000