

# FRITZ



## Fritz Cellars' Portfolio of Wines

### 2009 Late Harvest Zinfandel

#### **Winemaker's Notes:**

Our 2009 Estate Zinfandel is handcrafted from 30 year old vines grown on the valley floor of our Estate, a 5 acre site that produces wines that are rich in color and flavor. In this garnet hued wine, brilliant aromas of blackberries, red currants, and spices abound with subtle undertones of cocoa. This Zin is perfectly balanced with well structured tannins and bright acidity. Flavors of blackberry, Bing cherry, and red licorice lead into an elegant finish.

- Winemaker Brad Longton

#### **Technical Data:**

Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley
Varietal:	Zinfandel
Harvest Date:	October 2009
Barrel Aging:	9 Months
Alcohol:	16.2%
Production:	254 Cases

#### **Production Notes:**

Whole berries were transferred to open top fermenters to help capture bright fruit aromas and flavors. The tanks were cold soaked for three days then warmed and inoculated with native yeast. Punch downs occurred in the tanks 2-3 times/day for 10 days, allowing skin contact for color. Press off took place when the residual sugar had reached the appropriate levels. It was then placed in neutral French Oak barrels for 9 months.

