



2008 Tina's Block Zinfandel

Tina's Block in the Maple Vineyard sits up on a bench above Dry Creek Valley on the East side. The vines are very old (1910) in a vineyard mix of zinfandel (80+%), petite sirah, carignane, mission, black malvasia (a.k.a cincault), grenache, and some still-unidentified-black grapes. Originally Tom and Tina Maple slated this vineyard block for removal because of its mix and decrepitude. But gradually as they came to know and appreciate the different varieties in this they began in earnest to retrain and rehabilitate the viable old vines and replace the dead vines with healthy young Zin plants. Tina's Block is named for Tina Maple who collects lots of things and hates throwing anything away! This old, head pruned and dry farmed vineyard block, with its unique combination of varietals creates a powerful and concentrated Zinfandel. This wine is signature Tina's Block with tons of lush fruit, blueberries, blackberries, and black cherries. Sweet vanilla oak, cola, and cinnamon finish out this well balanced wine. This wine is classic Tina's Block with tons of lush fruit, blueberries, blackberries, and black cherries. Sweet vanilla oak, cola, and cinnamon finish out this well balanced wine. A beauty and a block buster – not for the faint of heart or palate!

Wine Details

Harvest Dates: September 4, 2008

Grape Varieties: Zinfandel Field Blend

Barrel Aging: 16 Months in ½ American Oak and ½ French Oak

Percentage of New Oak: 35%

Alcohol: 15.7%

pH: 4.04

Total Acidity: 0.61 g/100mL

Residual Sugar: Dry

Number of Cases Bottled: 201

Bottling Date: February 16, 2009

Suggested Consumption Dates: Drink Now Through 2018