



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



APPELLATION:
Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL:
15.5% by volume

pH:
3.64

TITRATABLE ACIDITY:
5.86 g/L

AGED IN OAK:
100%
~15% New Oak~

ORIGIN OF OAK:
French, Hungarian & American

MONTHS IN BARREL:
14

PRODUCTION:
402 Cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL:
\$30

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Julia Vazquez

JULIA VÁZQUEZ
Winemaker

Brian Maloney

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Winemaker

2008 OFS ZINFANDEL

IN THE VINEYARD

Hand harvested from premium Russian River Valley vineyards, the fruit for this Zinfandel was chosen for superior quality and variety. In warmer reaches of the valley where old vines persevere, grapes ripen over an extended season to develop wonderfully complex flavors. The old-vine dry-farmed Hillview site (managed by Bob Carillo) and the Becnel family's high elevation vineyard contribute significantly to this balanced wine.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Following careful cluster sorting, each pick is fermented separately with select yeast strains in both small open-top French oak vats and stainless steel tanks. The wine is gently pressed off and aged in oak before the winemakers' barrel selection to blend this, Our Finest Selection.

TASTING NOTES

The deep ruby color leads to rich aromas of black currant, chocolate-dipped cherries and brambleberry spice laced with a thread of orange zest. Juicy, yet structured, the palate unfolds with mouthwatering notes of blackberry, cranberry highlights, cocoa dust and hints of lavender. The broad, yet supple tannins lend exceptional length to this wine, which should age well for several years.

