



ESTD  1883

**WENTE**  
VINEYARDS

*Beyer Ranch*

ESTATE GROWN  
ZINFANDEL  
LIVERMORE VALLEY · SAN FRANCISCO BAY  
2012

*"Our Beyer Ranch Zinfandel comes from three different estate vineyards in the Livermore Valley. Each vineyard is picked ripe to accentuate the deep jammy fruit flavors, yet the alcohol remains balanced. The wine features all of Zinfandel's classic aromatics and full body with Petite Sirah adding some underlying structure."*

*- Karl D. Wente, Fifth Generation Winemaker*

#### VINEYARD

Since 1883, five generations of our family have handcrafted fine wines that express the very best of our vineyards and winemaking expertise. Our Estate Grown Beyer Ranch has historically been a premier Livermore Valley location for Zinfandel. The estate vineyards are planted on carefully selected sites on the sloping benches that lead to the banks of the Arroyo del Valle and Arroyo Mocho streams. Grapes from these Zinfandel vineyards produce luscious wines with deep richness.

#### WINEMAKING

**FERMENTATION** The grapes were fermented in upright stainless steel tanks with aggressive pump-over early in the fermentation and gentle fermentation later in the fermentation.

**AGING** The wine was aged for 13 months in French, American, Eastern European barrels, with a small percentage of new oak.

#### TASTING NOTES

This Zinfandel has aromas of ollaberry, ripe cherry, vanilla and strawberry jam. With medium tannins, and rich mouth-filling dark fruit flavors enhanced by a hint of oak, this wine provides a long finish.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION  
83% Zinfandel,  
17% Petite Sirah

ALCOHOL 15.0%  
pH 3.59  
TA 0.60/100ml

HARVEST DATE(S) 10/25-11/4  
BRIX AT HARVEST 25.8  
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