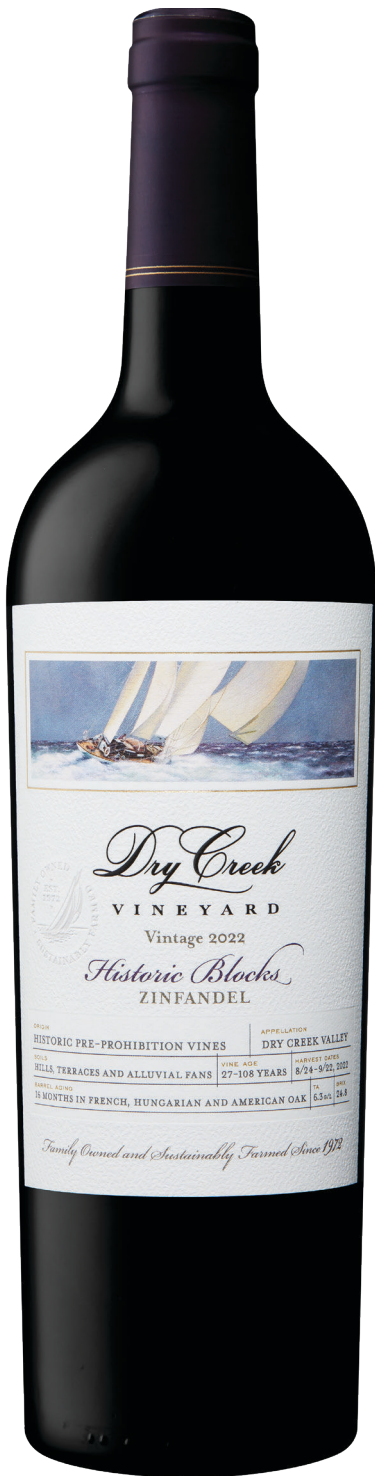




## 2022 HISTORIC BLOCKS ZINFANDEL

Dry Creek Valley



### HISTORY

Our Historic Blocks Zinfandel is a tribute to the legacy vineyards of Dry Creek Valley and our family winery's enduring commitment to preserve the extraordinary heritage of Zinfandel. Located primarily along the eastern bench of the valley, specific blocks of old vine Zinfandel were selected as the backbone of this robust and luxurious wine. These century-old, gnarled vines are still tended to by hand, preserving this beloved tradition and living testament to the remarkable history of our home appellation.

### GROWING SEASON

The 2022 harvest was compressed, starting with an early budbreak in the spring. A heatwave at the beginning of September accelerated ripening and shifted the timeline of a significant number of vineyards, setting the earliest recorded picks in the history of our family winery, particularly for red varieties. Fortunately, some rain following the heatwave mitigated the increase in sugars, resulting in a high-quality, yet short and intense harvest that spanned just 44 days. We are pleased with this vintage – cluster and berry sizes were down, but aromatics and flavors in the wines are abundant!

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Our 2022 vintage opens with inviting aromatics of triple berry pie, cranberry sauce and clove, followed by notes of espresso, cardamom and white pepper. On the palate, layers of ripe blueberry and black cherry emerge with nuances of cocoa powder and baking spices, as well as hints of allspice, fine leather and damp earth. The wine is full-bodied, with deep richness and impeccable balance alongside a lingering finish.

### BLEND

81% Zinfandel  
16% Petite Sirah  
3% Alicante Bouschet

### FERMENTATION

3 days cold soak; 11–15 days in fermenters at 82–88°F; pumped over twice daily

### BARREL AGING

16 months in French, Hungarian, and American oak; 31% new oak

ALCOHOL | 14.2%

BRIX | 24.8

PH | 3.62

TA | 6.4 g/L

### HARVEST DATES

August 24–September 22, 2022

VINE AGE | 27–108 years

### SOILS

Hills, terraces & alluvial fans

**93** **92**  
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WINE ENTHUSIAST Wine Spectator