



THE TERRACES

2012 Zinfandel

NAPA VALLEY

Varietal:	93.4% Zinfandel 6.7% Petite Sirah
Cases:	735
Alcohol:	14.8%
Bottled:	May 9, 2014
Released:	August 1, 2014
Suggested Retail:	\$32.00
Vineyard:	86.5% of the fruit comes from The Terraces Estate vineyards in the eastern foothills of the Rutherford AVA. Additional Zinfandel and Petite Sirah come from the Dollar Ranch in lower Chiles Valley.
Vintage:	After several difficult years, 2012 was a delightful vintage. Almost textbook conditions saw near-ideal spring bud break, steady flowering, even fruit set, and a lengthy stretch of warm days and cool and often foggy nights during the long summer months. Late and light rains held off until grapes found optimal ripeness, bringing exceptional quality.
Production:	Hand picked and sorted before being de-stemming. Each lot went into small tanks as whole berries. After a long cold soak, the lots were fermented with a combination of wild and cultivated yeasts. A mix of punch downs, pump overs and rack and returns were performed several times a day to influence extraction in different ways over the course of fermentation. Pressed gently in a basket press, the wines were moved to 35% new French and American barrels to finish malolactic fermentation. Under careful watch and tending, the wine was blended and bottled after 20 months.
Tasting Notes:	The 2012 Zinfandel shows a deep purple color, with pronounced aromas of blueberry, kirsch, and spiced cake. The palate is rich and voluptuous with ripe flavors of blueberry pie, and a barrage of baking spices of cinnamon, nutmeg, clove, and vanilla. A long finish make this a truly great Zin that can be enjoyed for many years.
The Terraces:	130 years of grape growing and 30 years of winemaking history inspires us to create epic wines of astonishing value. Less than 3500 cases produced each vintage. We encourage you to visit on your next trip to Napa.