

ADELAIDA DISTRICT OR PASO ROBLES

# ADELAIDA

## ZINFANDEL

MICHAEL'S ESTATE VINEYARD

2019

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| <b>AROMA</b>            | Pie, chaparral, expensive leather  |
| <b>FLAVOR</b>           | Black raspberry, traditional pizza toppings, clove studs                                 |
| <b>FOOD PAIRINGS</b>    | Pizza Rustica, anything charred or smoked,<br>Fire roasted red peppers, grilled eggplant |
| <b>VINEYARD DETAILS</b> | Michael's Vineyard   1700 feet<br>Calcareous Limestone Soil over Clay                    |

Adelaida has five organically-farmed vineyards in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the *Adelaida District*, a sub-appellation in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from 1400 - 2050 feet, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

Adelaida's Vineyards received roughly 24 inches of rain during the 2018-2019 winter, including a mid-May shower that delivered nearly an inch. A mid-March bud break led predictably to early vine vigor and dense canopy growth. A moderate summer where temperatures reached over 100 degrees for only one day was a welcome change to the 2018 growing season.

Our Michael's Estate Vineyard yields a strikingly flamboyant and showy Zinfandel while maintaining beautiful purity, balance, and finesse, all attributed to the rare limestone-based soils. Michael's Zinfandel, ever the flamboyant extrovert, showing off with loads of blueberry pie tang yes, but grate on some nutmeg and mace why don't you. Behind such bravado you might well be surprised to find refined flavors and tastes; purity of perfect raspberry, savories of sauce, mezzaluna the Oregano, elegance, in Zinfandel? Sip now though with exuberance or hold a full ten years (properly stored) for the chameleon to show its colors.



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| <b>VARIETAL</b> | Zinfandel 100% | <b>COOPERAGE</b> | Aged in French oak (40% new) for 15 months |
| <b>ALCOHOL</b>  | 15.2%          | <b>RELEASE</b>   | Spring 2021                                |
| <b>CASES</b>    | 959            | <b>RETAIL</b>    | \$45                                       |

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