

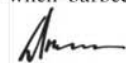
# FETZER

VINTAGE 2007  
VALLEY OAKS CALIFORNIA  
ZINFANDEL

*Savor Our Earth Friendly Wines —  
As Good For The Palate As They Are For The Planet*

## A THOUGHT FROM WINEMAKER DENNIS MARTIN

“People who love Zin are as complex as the wine. That’s a good thing. On the North Coast, we’ve learned from Mendocino’s Italian pioneers to craft Zins that are Zinfully delicious anytime, and especially wonderful when barbecuing or grilling.”



## GROWING SEASON

The growing season was, simply put, just beautiful. From bud break to harvest, Mother Nature coddled our winemakers. Zinfandel harvest began early in September and then staggered forward as a result of unseasonably cool weather until November. Winemaker blood pressure rose significantly with a bit of rain in mid-October, but warm weather followed and quickly dried the vines to avoid any problems with bunch-rot and mildew. In the end, the fruit showed (and then proved) great promise.

## WINEMAKING INSIGHTS

Fruit for this vintage is sourced from the best Zinfandel growing regions in the state, with sourcing extending from Paso Robles to Lake, Mendocino and Lodi. Vineyards such as the Miller family’s French Camp in Paso Robles, Rolling Knolls from Lake County, and Cagliero will be familiar to Zin lovers. To bring rich, deep color and layers of complexity we blend Petite Sirah and Syrah to create a Zinfandel equal to our Mendocino heritage. After malolactic fermentation softens selected tannins, we age the wine in oak to gain complexity and a touch of vanilla flavor. Fetzer has a long history with Zinfandels, and we’re proud to add this one to our heritage.

## TASTE WITH THE WINEMAKER

This is a wine with soft, supple tannins, easily identified as a Zinfandel, yet more elegant and easy drinking than many of the over-the-top powerhouse styles. Deep garnet colors lead to a ripe, medium-bodied wine with aromas of bright cherry, raspberry, clove spice, roasted nuts and a mild black pepper spice. In the mouth the wine is medium rich with flavors of red raspberry, strawberry and cranberry with a warm, woody spice. A special character from aging in oak lifts and provides depth and richness to complement the red fruit. Well balanced, with moderate toastiness and bright red fruit, a well-integrated wine often called “A lovely Zin for the money” by knowledgeable wine writers and Zin lovers.

Alcohol 13.83% • Total Acidity .65gms/100ml • pH 3.47 • RS .11 (dry)

  
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Almoço de Dia das Mães com a Família em 08 de maio de 2011.*