



STORYBOOK
MOUNTAIN
VINEYARDS

2017 Napa Estate Eastern Exposures Zinfandel

Winemaker notes:

This special barrel selection is presented to showcase just how elegant, fragrant, and balanced Napa hillside Zinfandels can be. The selection criteria emphasize aroma, middle-palate, and finish – berries with hints of flowers, minerals, and spice in the aroma; multi-layered and rich flavor on the broad and supple middle palate; and an intense, clean and lingering impression on the finish.

Tasting notes:

“Very much cast in the somewhat claret-like style that is the winery’s signature trait, yet a Zinfandel that is not in the least sparing in deep and deliberate varietal fruit, the 2017 Eastern Exposures from Storybook Mountain may muster enough richness to tempt drinking before its time, but, it is, as usual, a structured and impeccably balanced wine whose complex and refined best lies some years ahead. Be in no hurry to pour it soon and bet on it only getting better and better well into its second decade of life.” 91 points [Connoisseurs’ Guide](#)

Vineyard:

Occupying a mountainside at the head of the Napa Valley, Zinfandels were first planted here in 1883. It is a grape unusually well adapted to the red clay loam soils, eastern exposures, and microclimate of our hillside estate. The vines are hand tended, from pruning through picking. The crop is severely regulated, with two green harvests in May and August, to maintain just the right number of grapes on each vine, averaging 2 to 2.5 tons per acre. No insecticides or herbicides have been used in all these years, and we are now CCOF certified organic growers.



Vintage: 2017

Grapes: Estate Grown
CCOF certified Organic

Alcohol: 14.5%

Harvest: September 4 thru October 8

Cooperage: 15 months
French and American Oak

Bottled: January 2019

Production: 336 cases