

2011 Bacigalupi Vineyard Zinfandel

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Very concentrated flavors of raspberry, cassis, mocha and root beer burst in your mouth. The aromas are similar, but with a high-toned, perfumed edge to them. This old vine block is predominantly Zinfandel with only a scattering of "field blenders". Big, rich mouth-coating tannins give way to a long, jammy finish. This wine should age nicely for 4-6 years. — *Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral*

THE VINEYARD

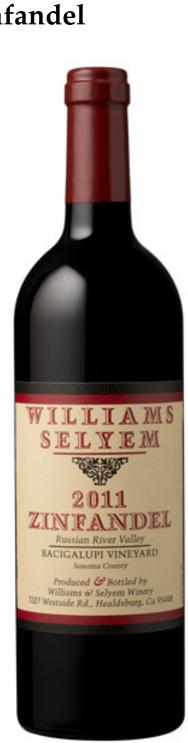
The grapes for this wine come from a small block of old vine Zinfandel in the Russian River Valley. The Bacigalupi Zinfandel Vineyard is less than 2 acres of 90+ year-old head pruned vines, which naturally yield low tonnage that produces very concentrated wines.

HARVEST 2011

The 2011 vintage was marked by another cool year that produced wines with tremendous purity and depth. Similar in many ways to 2010, without the extremes, it had very low yields and below average cooler weather. But, the growing season in 2011 was much more consistent with gentle warming days and very cold summer nights. As a consequence, the vintage produced wines with incredible purity, remarkable acid and tannin balance, while expressing the uniqueness of each individual site and region. The signature of this vintage is one where the wines have bright fruit qualities, sound acidities and elegant tannin profiles. It is truly a vintage worth seeking.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 40% new, 20% 1 year, 40% 3+ years Barrel Aged: 13 months pH: 3.40 TA: 0.69g/100ml Alc: 14.5% Released Fall 2013 \$52



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