



ZINFANDEL 2013

PASO ROBLES



Estancia relies on the benefits of boutique-style winemaking techniques, including whole-cluster fermentation, gentle punch downs, and basket pressing. Our Monterey-based winery uses gentle gravity flow systems to minimize aggressive tannins and bitterness. It is this hands-on crafting of the wines—from grapes to bottle—that results in our consistent and superior wine quality.

VINEYARDS

We're convinced that in the world's best wines, the true essence of the place from which they came can be found. We grew the fruit for this Zinfandel in our Keyes Canyon Vineyard in Paso Robles. Hot days and cool nights, thin soils, and stressed vines—these are the hallmarks of Keyes Canyon. Vines struggle to produce fruit here, resulting in tiny clusters with high skin-to-juice ratios, which create deeply concentrated wines with intense varietal flavors. This southwest beachland vineyard, planted at 450 feet in elevation, boasts a half-dozen soil types, including sandy clay loam. We've found it to be an ideal site for growing fruit for Zinfandel.

Winemaker:	Clay Brock
Varietal Composition:	86% Zinfandel, 8% Syrah, 5% Petite Sirah, 1% Teroldego
Appearance:	Dark red garnet
Aroma:	Alluringly rich dark fruits, strawberry jam, and chocolate, with wonderful hints of vanilla
Flavor:	Opens with licorice, black pepper, and spice that's perfectly followed by a long, rich finish
Appellation:	Paso Robles
Fermentation:	100% tank fermented
Aging:	100% aged in small oak barrels for 12 months; 25% new oak
Total Acidity:	5.9 g/L
pH:	3.65
Alcohol:	13.5%