

## 2017 ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN ZINFANDEL

Ranch at the End of the Road, first planted in 1978, is a paragon Red Mountain site. It's our highest-elevation vineyard, butted right up against the side of the hill approximately 1.4 miles from our winery facility. Everyone is undoubtedly familiar with our eponymous Kiona Estate vineyard, but Ranch at the End of the Road has been an omnipresent behind-the-scenes contributor to Red Mountain's decades-long tradition of quality just the same.

It is here that we have planted a single acre of Zinfandel, representing a scant 0.36% of our total Red Mountain acreage. We added the cultivar in 1997 when Red Mountain was squarely in the discussion as one of the pre-eminent places to grow red wines on the west coast but well before most were experimenting with non-Bordeaux varieties.

Zinfandel is as brambly, sexy, and exotic on Red Mountain as you'd expect. The grape is notorious for un-even ripening, which translates to late picks and higher-alcohol, fruit-forward, jammy wines with loads of appeal. If pairing, think curry, smoke/char, cumin, and cajun flavors.

## GEOGRAPHICAL DESIGNATION //

100% Red Mountain AVA, 100% Estate Grown and Bottled VINEYARDS //

92% Ranch at the End of the Road, 8% Heart of the Hill COMPOSITION // 92% Zinfandel, 6% Petite Sirah, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon WINEMAKING // Optical sorting, twice daily punchdowns, open-top ferments CASE PRODUCTION // 168 12 x 750 mL cases, Bottled June 2020 RELEASE // Exclusive to Spring 2021 Member Release

