

2006 CIAPUSCI VINEYARD ZINFANDEL**PHILOSOPHY**

Edmeades is pure Mendocino. It is the authentic taste of one of California's final viticultural frontiers — the Anderson Valley. Our approach is traditional and natural; our methods are decidedly low tech. We believe in native yeast fermentations in small, open-top bins, hand punchdowns, minimal manipulation and no fining or filtration at bottling. The simplicity of our methods allows the soils and climates of each site to be clearly tasted in our wines.

HISTORY

Edmeades is famous for its limited bottlings of iconoclastic Zinfandel from the cool, coastal vineyards of Mendocino County. Dr. Edmeades planted his first 11 acres of vineyards in 1963. He founded his winery and launched his own brand in 1972. The Jackson Family purchased Edmeades in 1988 and brought current winemaker Van Williamson on board in 1994.

VINEYARD

The vines of Ciapusci have more than a century of memories stored in their ancient roots. Planted in 1878 by an Italian immigrant, this is the oldest vineyard in Mendocino County. Old vines in the truest sense, the small berry clusters yield only one ton per acre of intense fruit. These ancient vines cling to well-drained soils on a ridge-top 1,800 feet above the Pacific Ocean.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

"The aromas are more like cranberries this year than cherries, and the intensity of perfume would suggest Pinot Noir instead of Zinfandel. Pretty, tart cherry flavors linger on the palate, which makes me wonder how long it has been since we bottled this wine with this low of alcohol. The color might be lighter than past vintages, but the brightness in fruit and intensity of flavors makes up for the lighter appearance. The mouthwatering finish makes you want to tip up the glass without the caution normally given to Zinfandel." -Van Williamson, Winemaker

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STATISTICS	2006 CIAPUSCI VINEYARD ZINFANDEL			
APPELLATION	COMPOSITION	OAK	ALCOHOL	PH
Mendocino Ridge	100% Zinfandel	14 months in 100% French oak barrels	15.1%	3.67
RELEASE DATE			TA	CASES
April, 2009			0.66g/100ml	264
PRIMARY FRUIT SOURCES				
VINEYARD	LOCATION	AGE OF VINES	COMPOSITION	
Ciapusci	Fish Rock Road	120 Years	100%	