

2006 ZENI 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 heard in our wines.

HISTORY

Edmeades is famous for limited bottlings of cool-climate Zinfandel that challenge every pre-conceived notion you might have about this wine. In the cool, coastal vineyards of Mendocino County, Dr. Edmeades planted his first 11 acres of vineyards in 1963. He founded the 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. And the rest, as they say, is history.

VINEYARD

In 1917, an Italian immigrant named Eduino Zeni planted a few acres of vines on a mountaintop ridge five miles from the Pacific Ocean in Mendocino County. Little did he know his modest little vineyard would eventually become one of California's finest sources of Zinfandel. Zeni has a character all its own. It transcends variety; it goes well beyond site.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

"The Zeni Zinfandels are almost always old-world style wines. The 2006 has a lot of earthiness and dark brooding aromas that are not often found in Zinfandel. Deep raspberries, cassis and creamy oak embody an old-world funkiness of smoked meats, cedar box and forest. This is a powerhouse wine: concentrated and intense — a dark, brooding beast of a wine with layers of funk. It should be reserved only for wild nights when the moon is full."

-Van Williamson, Winemaker

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| STATISTICS | | | | | 2006 ZENI VINEYARD ZINFANDEL | | | | |
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| APPELLATION | | COMPOSITION | | OAK | | ALCOHOL | | PH | |
| Mendocino Ridge | | 100% Zinfandel | | 14 months in French oak (54% new) | | 15.9% | | 3.77 | |
| RELEASE DATE | | AGE OF VINES | | | | TA | | CASES | |
| June 2008 | | 90+ years | | | | 0.58g/100ml | | 550 | |
| PRIMARY FRUIT SOURCES | | | | | | | | | |
| VINEYARD | | | LOCATION | | | COMPOSITION | | | |
| Zeni | | | Fish Rock Road | | | 100% | | | |