

## 2 0 0 3 Z I N F A N D E L - W E S T S I D E

Zinfandel from the Lock Vineyard on Paso Robles' Westside was hand picked in the cool of the morning and sorted for quality. It was gently crushed and then allowed to ferment in small stainless steel tanks. During fermentation 20% of the juice was bled off to concentrate the remaining wine. Hand punch-downs of the cap occurred throughout fermentation. A small portion of Petit Verdot from the Huerhuero vineyard was added to improve mouthfeel and texture. The wine was then transferred into barrels to complete malic fermentation and spent 14 months in 15% new French oak. The finished wine was lightly filtered before being bottled.

### T A S T I N G N O T E S & R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S

- Color:** Deep purple, very intense  
**Aroma:** Plum and boysenberry with spice and a touch of earthiness  
**Taste:** Big, full-bodied and packed with intense and sweet, ripe fruit; this wine has wonderful flavors of dusky plums, brambles, boysenberries and raspberries; the fruit is supported by ripe but fine tannins; long pleasant finish

Serve at: 62° – 65° F  
 Drink now through 2010  
 Store in dark dry place at 55°– 65° F

### T E C H N I C A L N O T E S

Harvest date:	Brix:	Vineyards	Blend	
10.09.2003	25.7°	Lock	Zinfandel	92%
10.09.2003	25.0°	Huerhuero	Petit Verdot	8%

Aging: 14 months in 15% new oak

<b>Bottling date:</b>	2.23.2005
<b>Release date:</b>	8.1.2005
<b>Cases produced:</b>	598 cases
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.9%
<b>pH:</b>	3.51
<b>Total Acidity:</b>	6.34 g/l

*A big, bold and spicy Paso Zinfandel*

*HP. Gubler*

Matthias Gubler, Winemaker

