

# LANGETWINS

FAMILY WINERY AND VINEYARDS

## 2014 CENTENNIAL OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

We respect the land where our vineyards grow - our family's connection to nature gives our wine its foundation and individuality. Distinct soil and climate coupled with responsible farming practices highlight the character of each vintage from our generational farm in Lodi, California.

### GROWING SEASON

After a cold snap in December 2013, the 2014 growing season transitioned to a mild winter and spring. With the current drought conditions we welcomed the late February and early March rains that were well-timed and kept the vines growing. Consistent sunny weather from mid-March on led to early bud break in the vineyards as temperatures rose. A few weeks of warm weather in the late summer months allowed the winegrapes to ripen early, making 2014 one of the earliest harvests on record. On the vine, most varietals had loose clusters that resulted in even veraison, bringing about uniform ripening which is necessary for winegrapes to develop great flavors and color. With average yields and great quality, the 2014 season produced another unique vintage.

### VINEYARD NOTES

The Lewis vineyard was planted in 1903. Akin to the plantings of the Old World, these head-trained, spur-trained vines grow in a goblet shape which allows for uniform sun exposure. Fruit maturation occurs slowly in these own-rooted ancient vines creating finessed balance of sugar and acid among the few bunches each vine is capable of producing.

### LODI AVA

Lodi's well-drained alluvial soils are important for moderation of canopy growth and achievement of a well-balanced vine. Fruit maturation occurs under a classically Mediterranean climate of warm sunny days and cool breezy evenings. This terroir - the bringing together of soil, climate and farming traditions - imparts a unique quality that is specific to our Lodi appellation.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2014 vintage's fruit was gently guided through fermentation, allowing natural winemaking to highlight the true expression of the 116 year-old vineyard. Rich aromas and flavors of blackberry and raspberry meld with notes of complex spice undertones, which are intrinsic to the Zinfandel varietal. The low yields in the vineyard preserved the vibrant natural acidity and balanced the tannins through to the finish.

### WINE STATISTICS

#### VINEYARD PHILOSOPHY

Certified Sustainable

#### TRELLISING

Head-Trained

#### AGING

American Oak Barrels; 24 Months

#### CASES PRODUCED

970 | 6-Pack Wooden Cases

#### HARVEST DATE

September 23, 2014

#### BOTTLE DATE

June 29, 2017

#### TA PH

7.4 g/L 3.37

#### WINEMAKER

David Akiyoshi

#### BRX

26.1

#### ALCOHOL

16.0%

#### RS

1.0 g/L

106TH VINTAGE



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2014

ZINFANDEL  
LODI CALIFORNIA

*Lewis Vineyard Since 1903*

*Albert Lange and George Lewis shared a passion for winegrowing in Lodi, California. Four generations later, the friendship continues and our families' history comes alive with this wine from Lewis' historic vineyard.*

18 BARRELS MADE

