

# LANGETWINS

FAMILY WINERY AND VINEYARDS

## 2017 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

The 2017 growing season marked the end of the drought with heavy winter rainfall that continued into the spring. Due to the rain, timely vineyard practices were crucial and we adapted our cultural techniques to maintain vine balance. Heat spikes during late August to mid-September required close attention to irrigation to ensure vine health. With the given weather, our winegrapes developed the required sugars, but full flavor maturation delayed our harvest. The wait was worth it and the outcome was a vintage that boasts bright and fresh whites with ideal levels of acidity and red wines that are showing good intensity and concentration.

### 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

Coming from the historic Lewis Vineyard in Lodi, our 2017 vintage boasts rich aromas of candied raspberry and blackberry, complemented with accents of clove and licorice. Due to age, the 114-year old vineyard produces lower yields, however the natural acidity is preserved and balances the heavy tannins. This, combined with over two years of barrel aging in American Oak leads to a bold, yet refreshing wine with a silky mouthfeel. Spicy fruit notes carry this wine to the finish and leave a lingering smoky, sweet flavor long after you've finished the glass.

### WINE STATISTICS

#### VINEYARD PHILOSOPHY

Certified Sustainable

#### TRELLISING

Head-Trained

#### AGING

American Oak Barrels; 26 Months

#### CASES PRODUCED

498 | 6-Pack Wooden Cases

#### HARVEST DATE

September 10, 2017

#### BOTTLE DATE

September 22, 2020

#### TA PH

6.9 g/L 3.45

#### WINEMAKER

David Akiyoshi

#### BRIX

25.2

#### ALCOHOL

15.0%

#### RS

3.7 g/L

106TH VINTAGE



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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.*

10 BARRELS MADE

