

GRGICH HILLS



Miljenko's Old Vines

ZINFANDEL

Napa Valley

2001

Winemaker's Notes

<i>Alcohol</i>	14.5% by volume
<i>Fermentation</i>	small bins
<i>Harvest date</i>	October 5, 2001
<i>Sugar</i>	25.4° Brix
<i>Bottling date</i>	March 4, 2003
<i>Release date</i>	November 1, 2004
<i>Residual sugar</i>02%
<i>Total acid</i>	6.5 g/L
<i>pH</i>	3.63
<i>Time in oak</i>	13 months
<i>Type of oak</i>	1-2 year old French oak
<i>Case production</i>	456
<i>Blend</i>	100% Zinfandel

Three acres. That's the extent of our prized 110-year-old Zinfandel vines located in our hillside Calistoga vineyard. With a yield of only 1.5 tons of exceptionally concentrated fruit per acre, we were able to produce just 456 cases of the 2001 Miljenko's Old Vines Zinfandel.

This rich and complex wine beckons you in with a bouquet of blueberry, spice, black cherries, and a hint of underlying earthiness.

On the palate it is full-bodied, offering generous amounts of raspberry, black pepper, and cherries. Thirteen months of French oak aging lends spice and structure to the mouthfeel, leading into a sustained smooth finish. The rich fruit is complemented by acids and tannins to produce a wine that is exceptionally food-friendly. Try it with pepper-crusted steak or burgers on the grill, roast pork tenderloin, or Manchego cheese. Enjoy!



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