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2010 ZINBITCH, ZINFANDEL PASO ROBLES

Winemaker's Comments:

A blend of three vineyards: Preston, Dante Dusi, and Alta Vista Ranch. This wine features an interfusion of clones and Paso "terroir". Most significantly, Alta Vista Ranch is partially planted with the Ueberroth Clone that exhibits darker blackberry fruit flavors rather than classic Zin's red raspberry. For this reason the dark fruit of the Alta Vista Ranch Vineyard complements the bright red fruit of Dante Dusi Vineyard. Preston Vineyard makes an incredible blend of the three as its fruit is broader on the palate and reaches deeper depths.

Color: Dark rich ruby on the edges to a dark red abyss at center.

On the Nose: Bright boysenberry & raspberry fruit with lilac and herb rolling into a spicy toasty vanilla cream.

On the Palate: Rich berry fruit laced with mineral and coco. Elegant tannins build immense structure on the mid-palate and trail into a long leathery finish laced with sexy velvet vanilla cream and toasted oak. ZinBitch... "A force to be reckoned with."

Pairings: ZinBitch has a different suggestion for food pairings than the single vineyard Zinfandels. The ZinBitch is rich and more full-bodied without being overpowering. ZinBitch walks the perfect line of big fruit, elegance and enough acid to balance all the butter and rich sauces of a fall menu of stewed meats or a Thanksgiving dinner.

Christian Tietje
Winemaker, ZinBitch

VARIETAL: ZINFANDEL
Appellation: PASO ROBLES

Alcohol: 15.0%

pH: 3.53

TOTAL ACID: 0.68

CASES PRODUCED: 425

DRINK: 1 - 5 years



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our 2010 ZinBitch Zinfandel.