

FROG'S LEAP

2013 ZINFANDEL White Barn Vineyard - 'Chicken Coop' Napa Valley

THE BLEND

89 % Zinfandel 11 % Petite sirah

PRODUCTION

370 cases

RELEASE DATE

May 2015

STATISTICS

harvested —
September 9 & September 12
24.9° brix at harvest
13.9% alcohol
6.2 g/L total acidity
3.64 pH
aged 12 months in American oak

WINEMAKERS

John Williams Paula Moschetti

VINEYARDIST

Frank Leeds

A BRIEF HISTORY

Tucked into the uppermost section of the Garden Family's White Barn vineyard is a small section of Zinfandel vines; the oldest and earliest ripening grapes on this historic property. Conscientiously farmed by Frog's Leap for nearly two decades, these picturesque vines overlook the family's chicken coop and thus gained its moniker.

ABOUT THE WINE

The 'Chicken Coop' block in the White Barn vineyard sits on the shallowest soils at the top of the vineyard with the most direct sun exposure. For that reason it is always the first to color, first to develop its flavors and, without fail, it is annually the first Zinfandel we pick. The block gets its name because to get to it you must wind up the hill, past the Garden Family's now defunct chicken coop and round the corner to that block of southern exposure. We often say "as 'Chicken Coop' goes, so goes the vintage." And in 2013 that was a good thing indeed. The wine's warm, succulent summer fruit aromas and deep taut flavors lead to a nice lip-smacking very slightly tannic finish. Given its moniker, we can't help but suggest pairing it with barbeque chicken!