

# WILLIAMS SELYEM



## 2005 Bacigalupi Vineyard Zinfandel

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The nose exhibits concentrated blackberries, dark chocolate and black pepper with unadulterated wild raspberry jam. The same depth of fruit fills your mouth with hints of roasted cocoa, coffee and anise. Full and concentrated in the mouth, the finish is thick, lush and maturely tannic.

—Winemaker Bob Cabral

### THE VINEYARD

The grapes for this wine come from a small block of old vine zinfandel in the Russian River Valley. The Bacigalupi zinfandel vineyard is less than 2 acres of 90+ year-old head pruned vines, which naturally yield low tonnage that produces very concentrated wines.

### HARVEST 2005

Following a labor-intensive growing season due to early spring rains, a cool summer and mild fall weather extended the ripening season in 2005. This long, slow maturation period permitted flavors and color to develop to high levels, and the absence of weather threats or temperature extremes allowed fruit to be picked at optimum ripeness. Vineyards unaffected by bloom failure, particularly Pinot noir and Chardonnay in Russian River Valley, enjoyed a bountiful crop. The fruit quality was extremely high, contributing to balanced and elegant wines with concentrated flavors and intense color.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 84% 1 year old, 16% 2 year old

Barrel Aged: 14 months

pH: 3.43

TA: 0.65g/100ml

Alc: 15.1%

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