



2007 SWEETWATER SPRINGS ZINFANDEL

95.5% Zinfandel, 4.5% Petite Sirah

Appellation: Russian River

Production: 88 cases

Alcohol: 16.5%

Retail: \$35

Tasting Notes - Briery aromas of wild raspberry and blueberry with a subtle hint of crème brûlée escape with the slightest swirl. Succulent flavors of black cherry, anisette, vanilla and spice flow across the palate, pushing ripeness to the edge with enough acidity to give vibrancy to its hedonistic style.

Pair With - Do I hear a barbecue barking for grilled meats of all kinds? Beef, pork, lamb and poultry. Spicy foods, sweet glazed foods, hamburgers with all the stuff piled to the sky and a side order of fries. And let's not forget about the pasta dishes -- do them all. Drink now to 5 years.

"We are excited to offer you our first release of this stellar vineyard from what appears to be a phenomenal vintage! Dueling cool fogs from both the Petaluma wind gap and the mouth of the Russian River allow for extended hang time; grapes that flirt with the apex of ripeness. Vineyard manager Ulises Valdez joked 'You better pick the grapes before the birds finish them.' I left the fruit on the vine an additional week so that you could open a bottle and taste bold and rich Zinfandel, dressed to the nines." – Jeff Cohn

92 points, Wine Spectator