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SINGLE VINEYARD
Designate '08

Teldeschi Zinfandel

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The mostly old vines that make up our Teldeschi are Zinfandel, Carignane, and Petite Sirah, a mélange typical of older vineyard plantings in California. The three varieties are fermented separately and blended to taste. Native yeast fermentation, small open-top fermenters, manual punching down of the cap, minimal processing, and aging in small French oak cooperage all contribute to a style that brings out the best of the vineyard—power and big flavors. Teldeschi Vineyard is always the highest quality of the Zinfandel vineyards that Ravenswood crushes from the Dry Creek Valley.

The 2008 Teldeschi is deep purple, nearly black in color. Powerful aromas of black cherries, coffee, caramel, and dark chocolate as well as other sweet dark fruit scents combine to create the classic character of a great Dry Creek Benchland Zinfandel. Rich flavors of sweet cherry liqueur, vanilla and smoke lead to a ripe, dense, gently tannic, long and bright fruit finish.



COMPOSITION	75% Zinfandel, 20% Petite Sirah, 3% Carignane, 2% Alicante Bouschet	pH	3.70
APPELLATION	Dry Creek Valley	RS	1.5g/L
AGING	20 months in 100% French oak; 31% New; 30% 1 Year	ALCOHOL	14.5%
SKIN CONTACT	10-15 Days	RELEASE DATE	July 2011
TA	6.30g/L	PRODUCTION	2,800 cases
		AGEABILITY	Drink between now and seven to ten years