



2006 Canis Major Zinfandel

Mutt Lynch Winery's first wine in 1995 was a Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel, from a vineyard not far from the Perotti Vineyard. Our Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel was the "raison d'être" of our winery (we love to drink it) and continues to be our leading Canis Major wine.

2006 Vintage

Silver Medal • 2009 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition
Silver Medal • 2009 San Diego Wine Competition,
Silver Medal • 2009 SF International Wine Competition
Silver Medal • 2009 CA State Fair Wine Competition
Bronze Medal • 2009 Grand Harvest Awards

2005 Vintage

GOLD MEDAL • 2007 Sonoma County Harvest Fair
Silver Medal • 2008 National Women's Wine Competition

Perotti Vineyard, Dry Creek Valley

We have sourced our Zinfandel from Ed and Bruce Perotti (father and son) since 1997. For us, this is quite a long time. For Ed, it is barely a blip on the screen. Walking the vineyard with father and son team, one feels the history. The land has been in the family for over 90 years. Ed's grandfather "Mancini" came from Italy and settling into the Northern Sonoma area to raise fruits and grapes, selling them to other Italian immigrants in the North Beach community of San Francisco. Passing from father to son, Ed took over in the mid 1960's and Bruce has taken charge in recent years. The cycle continues.

Brenda's Winemaking

Fermentation took place in an open top tank, with 3 times per day punch-downs. The wine was barreled down dirty and malolactic fermentation took place in barrel. Brenda's oak regime was 100% French, with approximately 40% new Francois Freres barrels. The combination of Perotti fruit and Francois Freres French oak has become a "signature" for Brenda's Zinfandel. The wine spent 23 months in barrel before its August bottling.

Tasting Notes

Pretty aromas of red berry fruit and floral French oak. The wine has a young, vibrant fruit entry, chocolate-chewy tannins and tell-tale Zinfandel jammy fruit in finish. It is medium bodied in weight, elegant but has a rich and full finish.



Information

Vintage:	2006
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley
Vineyard:	Perotti Vineyard
Alcohol:	15.5%
Produced:	222 cases



The constellation 'Canis Major' is famous the world over; resembling a large dog, it is known as 'The Greater Dog'. Canis Major seems a fitting name for our "big dog" wines.

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