

2013 Zinfandel Beauregard Ranch Vineyard



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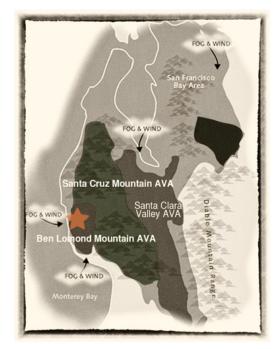
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The Vineyard

Beauregard Ranch Vineyard, located in Bonny Doon, is owned and farmed by Jim Beauregard. Was first planted in 1875, then replanted in 2005. The 13 acre vineyard sits at an elevation of 1,700 to 1,850 feet on a southwest facing slope. Monterey Bay marine influences combine silty loam and sandy soil to produce wines with minerality and striking acidity. Plantings: 4 acres Pinot Noir. One acre of Chardonnay. Three acres Zinfandel.

American Viticultural Area Ben Lomond Mountain Varietal Blend: 100% Zinfandel Vine Age: 2005 Harvest: October 1st, 2013 @ 26.0 Brix Aging: 50% New American Oak ALC 14.5% Fermentation: Native Yeast Production: 621 cases

The Ben Lomond Mountain AVA



The Ben Lomond Mountain AVA (American Viticultural Area) is located in Santa Cruz County, CA on the Western edge of the Santa Cruz Mountains. Vineyards were first planted on the mountain in the 1860's, but the area did not become famous for Pinot Noir until the 1970's. The four by sixteen-mile AVA reaches altitudes as high as 2,600 feet above sea level, placing it above much of the fog that rolls in from the Pacific Ocean, ensuring long hours of sunlight.

The elevation and ocean proximity ensure a cool climate, where grapes can ripen over an extended growing season. Wines are highly structured, have good minerality and are extremely age worthy.

Tasting notes by consulting Master Sommelier Ian Cauble

The Beauregard, Zinfandel has a dark ruby red/ garnet core with a hint of bright pink on the rim. The nose enthralls the senses with aromas of ripe berries, including dried strawberry, red cherry, and wild raspberry over soft, wet rose petals, forest floor, white pepper, wild herbs, white tea, sandalwood and crushed exotic spices. The palpable energy and thriving aromatic life motivate sip after satisfying sip. The rich palate boasts incredibly soft tannins and luscious wild berry fruit layers into wild herbs, fresh flowers, and earthy dried clay and intense exotic spices on the finish from the 50% New Oak used.