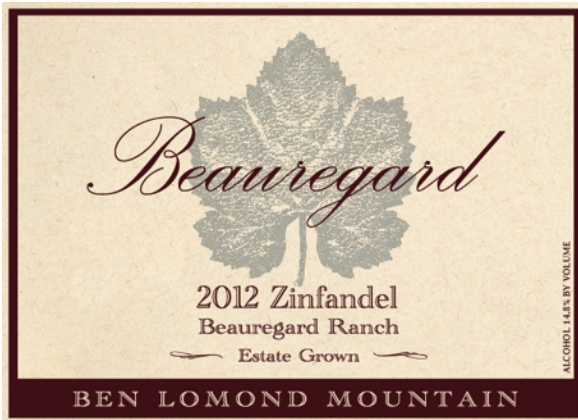




## 2012 Zinfandel Beauregard Ranch Vineyard



### 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 15th, 2012 @ 24.0 Brix

**Aging:** 22 months

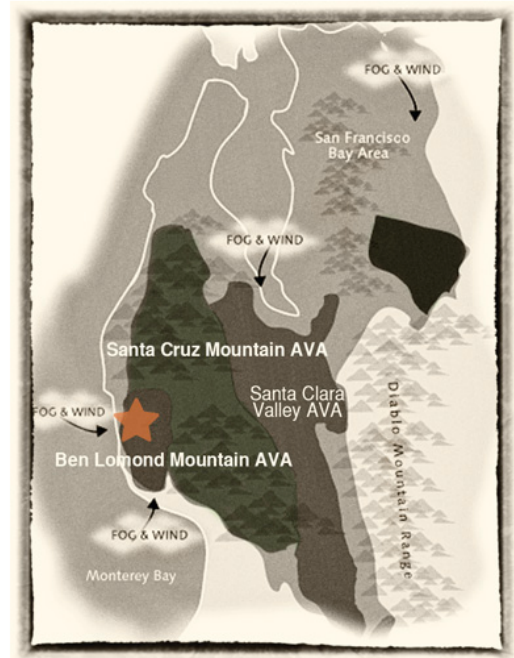
**ALC** 14.8%

**Fermentation:** Native Yeast

**Production:** 835 cases

**Accolades:** 90 Points 'Best of the Year' Wine Enthusiast

### 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 2012 Beauregard Ranch Zinfandel is gorgeous and represents the ideal balance I look for in this varietal. The wine has a saturated dark ruby red core with pink highlights on the rim. The nose exhibits aromatics of freshly crushed wild raspberries, dried black cherry, chai tea powder, rose petal candy, strawberry yogurt and wet stones. The palate has the balance similar to a well made Pinot Noir, is medium bodied with soft tannins, and has layered flavors of various wild berries, white pepper, crushed stems and a touch of oak spice. This wine is beautiful now and will age beautifully over the next 5-7 years most likely peaking between