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CELLARS



Planted in 2000, named after Martinelli's Zio (Uncle) Tony who established the family's farming in the late 1800's originally planting potatoes on the current vineyard site. Organic farming in goldridge soils, clay and loam produce a dusty earth component making it richer, rounder, and more seductive.

This wine has an opaque purple, almost black color from the center of the wine to its rim. A sweet blackberry pie filling, black licorice, roasted earth notes and crème Brûlée. The palate has a fantastic entry, with a core of insanely rich fruit that becomes a black and blue fruit compote, with cassis, grilled meats and violet notes. As concentrated as this wine is, the sweet tannin back bone structure keeps the wine on a steady course.

40% Whole cluster fermentation, aged for 18 months in 40% new French oak 300 - 500 liter barrels. Drink 2020 - 2040.

**2017 Zio Tony Ranch** *Martinelli Vineyard*  
Russian River Valley AVA  
100% Organic Syrah  
15.6% Alc

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"Slightly supple in feel with carefully fit tannins and raspberry and blackberry fruit to spare, and it is laced with elements of complimentary spice and loamy soil that impart plenty of unhidden complexity."

