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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, remainder whole berry fermentation, punched down up to 5 times per day. 300 - 500 liter 40% new / 60% neutral French oak barrels.

2017 Zio Tony Ranch Martinelli Vineyard

100% Syrah

Russian River Valley

15.6% Alc

JEB DUNNUCK 94 Pts

