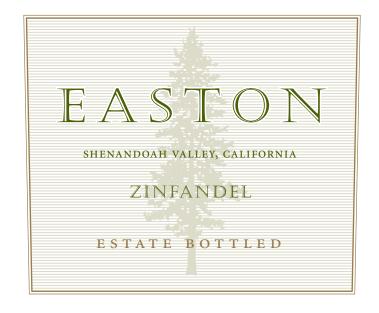


TERRE ROUGE® AND EASTON WINES



2012 EASTON Zinfandel "Estate-Bottled" - Shenandoah Valley

This is the fifteenth vintage of our estate-bottled Zinfandel. The fruit originates from the old Baldinelli property that was planted in the early 1970's. We choose from several lots. Vines are head-trained and unirrigated. The vineyard is rigorously suckered for proper cluster spacing and sun exposure to get full flavor development. Flavors are full, rich, smooth, and gutsy. The wine has huge brambly blackberry fruit, big cedar, spice box aromas and flavors. It has a smooth creamy finish from aging in François Frères and Taransaud barrels (1/3 new). 2012 was a relatively normal year in the Sierra Foothills and the Shenandoah Valley. There was no late frost damage that reduced the crop size, so yields were better than average, and we had a normal summer without too much heat. Harvest began in late September and we finished this site in early October, or solidly mid-harvest. The quality of the fruit was high with small clusters. The exact date of picking here was September 29th and October 4th. Our Zinfandel's have no residual sugar and nice balancing acidity. We have bottled the wine in our EASTON "Estate" package with its' distinctive, but classic label design and heavy bottle.

15.1 % alcohol by vol.; 3.65 pH; 6.0 gm./liter total acidity <u>Release date</u>: February 2018 <u>Suggested Retail Price</u>: \$35 a bottle

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