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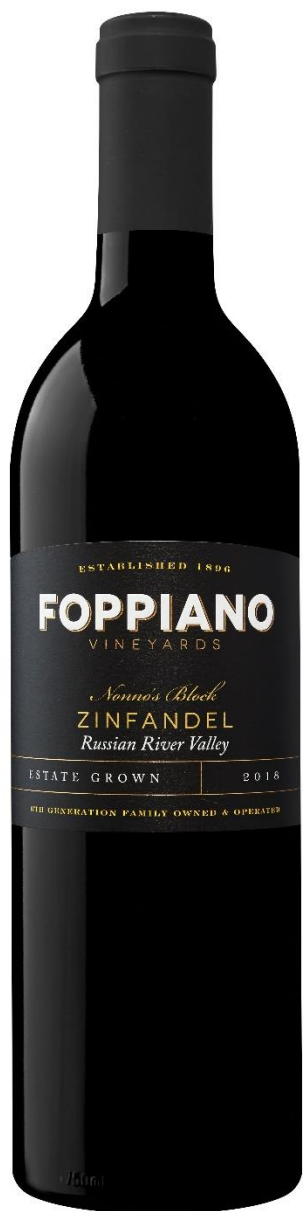
VINEYARDS

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

NONNO'S BLOCK

ZINFANDEL

v. 2018



VINEYARDS: Nonno, meaning grandfather in Italian, is a name that 3rd generation owner Louis J Foppiano held dear. Located furthest from the Russian River, this block is situated in the warmest portion of our estate. This, combined with lean soils, old vines and low yields, leads this block of Zinfandel to exhibit delicious fruit, complex spice notes and balanced acidity.

WINEMAKING: Now the 7th vintage produced from this particular vineyard block, the fruit was harvested in the early morning and then destemmed to open top fermenters. The crushed grapes were kept cold for 4 days to extract the early and delicate color and classic Zinfandel flavors. Then followed by 18 days of fermentation. After pressing, the wine was put to barrel. We used a combination of new French oak and new Hungarian oak where the wine was aged for 16 months.

TASTING NOTES: The 2018 harvest yielded some of the best fruit we've seen in years and we chose the best barrels to make our Nonno's Block Zinfandel. Mouthwatering aromas of black cherry and plum are followed by luscious flavors of ripe black berries, caramel, and hints of clove. This wine shows a remarkable balance of velvety tannins, vibrant acidity, and a truly luscious and resonant mouthfeel.

HARVEST DATES SEPTEMBER 19, 2018

ALCOHOL 14.9% **pH** 3.68 **TA** 5.72 g/L

CELLARING 16 MONTHS FRENCH OAK & HUNGARIAN OAK,
50% NEW & 50% ONCE USED

BOTTLED June 2020

CASES PRODUCED 184

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