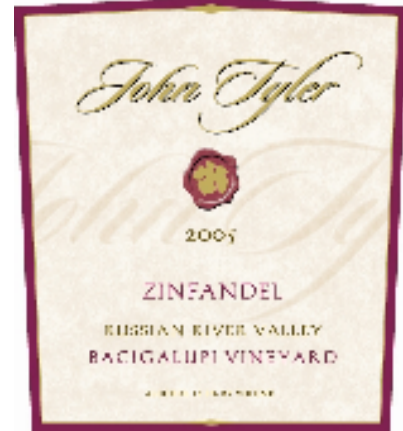


2005 John Tyler Zinfandel Bacigalupi Vineyards Russian River Valley

Awarded 89 points from the Wine

Enthusiast. "The vineyard is virtually in Dry Creek Valley, so it's not surprising to find the briary, brambly intensity of that warm Sonoma appellation. It's a good, lush, likeable Zin, brimming with wild berry, leather, tobacco and pepper spice flavors swimming in firm, dry tannins."

Moderate temperatures through harvest allowed the development of deep, rich flavors and color, the ideal growing season. This wine exhibits notes of juicy boysenberry and black raspberry with slight earthy overtones. Vibrant fruit characteristics mingled with some spice. Full and concentrated in the mouth, the finish is thick, lush with building tannins and the promise of great age ability.



Vineyard Location *Bacigalupi Vineyards– Russian River Valley Appellation
Climate: cool mornings and warm afternoons
Soil: Rocky volcanic and sandy loam*

Harvest Information *Date: Sunrise; September 19, 2005
Yield: 7-8 tons
Duprat clone (24.2 Brix)*

The 2005 harvest was one of the largest in recent history. A cooler and longer growing season with moderate weather created ideal ripening conditions allowing the fruit to mature slowly and evenly.

Production Notes *Barrels: 23
Cases produced: 590*

WINEMAKER NOTES

At all times and in every aspect the winemaking process was under the direction of Tyler Heck. All the decisions and work pertaining to the productions of this vintage were made by him.

Barreled down in 100% new French oak cooperage: 100% French oak, a mix of Francois Freres and Berthomieu.