



1999 LATE HARVEST ZINFANDEL

Wine Lines - "92 POINTS"

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by Bob Johnson, syndicated columnist

There aren't many wines that match well with chocolate; meet a delicious exception. You'll even detect hints of chocolate in its flavor, along with black raspberry, cigar box and mild pepper.

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Not many wineries are making Late Harvest Zinfandel and most who did it in the 1970s should not have. But this 1999 Late Harvest Zinfandel, Dry Creek Vineyard, Dry Creek Valley, \$13/375 ml., is exceptionally nice. A pie berry like nose of dark berry and blackberry introduces flavors of candied plum, cherry, and pineapple plus moderate, smooth tannins before a medium-long, medium-broad finish. While definitely sweet, the sugar is well balanced with acidity and the wine is not cloying. If you are not familiar with this approach to Zinfandel, you should definitely try this one.

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The 1997 Late Harvest Zinfandel has a jammy, perfumed bouquet of ripe plums, ripe cherries, blackberries, cassis, cola, pepper and violets with a hint of candy apple. The flavors of briar berries, cherries, cassis, chocolate, pepper and cinnamon are lush and expansive followed by a long, lingering, fruity, non-cloying finish. Delicious.

RobyWine.com - "90 POINTS"

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by Norm Roby

With only 3% sugar, the Late Harvest Zin shows wide open berry and spice character with a hint of blackberries and chocolate in its flavors.

Tastings - "88 POINTS"

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Deep ruby-pink hue. Sweet, Porty aromas point to a late-picked style. Sweet and plush on the attack, with a full-bodied palate and a powdery, richly tannic finish. Rather elegant and mildly sweet. A match for strong cheeses.

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Like sweet treats on the first date—sweet, lusty and big potential.

Wine Enthusiast - "87 POINTS"

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This is what happens when Zin gets overripe. Alcohol is 15.5% and residual sugar is 3.0% The result is a Port-like wine that's huge in extract and sweet on the tongue. A hot finish. An only-in-California wine that can find a place on the table if paired with the right foods.
