

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## 2001 Zinfandel

“Sauret Vineyard”

Paso Robles

### The **Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Robert Nadeau and his wife, Patrice. Together they renovated a tiny barn in the mountains west of Paso Robles, transforming it into an efficient, well-equipped micro-winery. Old-world styled vineyards have been planted on the slopes surrounding the building...most of the planting is dedicated to dry-farmed, head-trained Zinfandel, with an acre or so devoted to Grenache Noir and Petite Sirah. At nearly 2000 feet in elevation, the property is generally above the morning fog and usually receives about twice the rainfall seen below in Paso Robles (Elev: 960')

### The **Wine**

The Nadeau Family Vintners' 2001 “Sauret Vineyard” Zinfandel is a mammoth, mountain-grown beast of a wine. High in extract, acid, and fruit-character, this Zin isn't for everyone, but it's for anyone looking for an assertive, dryfarmed/head-pruned Zin from a classic Paso Robles Vineyard.

The wine is not the darkest Sauret Zin we've made, but it is every bit as racy and uninhibited.

### The **Blend**

100% Zinfandel

### The **Vital Statistics**

100% Paso Robles Appellation

100% 2001 Vintage

100% Sauret Vineyard

Harvest: August; Sugar @ Harvest: 27.8 Brix; TA: 0.81 gm./100mL; pH: 3.39

Finished Wine EtOH: 15.3% By Vol.

The grapes were fermented in small, open-top fermentors with commercial (proprietary) yeast for 6 days on their skins then pressed in a small, horizontal basket-press. This wine was racked using a nitrogen blanket and/or gravity. Aged in one to three year-old American Oak barrels until it racked, filtered and bottled *unfined* in August, 2003.

The 2001 Vintage yielded only 170 cases.

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