

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## 2005 Zinfandel “WESTSIDE” Paso Robles

### The **Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Robert and Patrice Nadeau. 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. Situated at the top of Peachy Canyon, the property is generally above the morning fog and usually receives as much as twice the rainfall seen below in Paso Robles.

### The **Wine**

The Nadeau Family Vintners' 2005 “Westside” Zinfandel is another powerhouse Zinfandel. This dense, brash Zinfandel is bound to appeal to those wine enthusiasts who enjoy our BIG Zins like the “Epic” and the “Critical Mass.” Big fruit aromas and flavors framed with just a subtle hint of American Oak make this one of our best ever!

Like most of our Zins, this wine is ready to drink upon release, so further aging is unnecessary.

### The **Blend**

100% Zinfandel  
(Blend of grapes from numerous Westside vineyards)

### The **Vital Statistics**

100% 2005 Vintage  
100% Paso Robles  
Harvest: September & November, 2005  
Sugar @ Harvest: Ranged from 26.5 – 28 Brix.  
Finished Wine EtOH: 15.7% By Vol.

The grapes were fermented in small, open-top fermentors with commercial (proprietary) yeast for an average of 10 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 mostly “neutral” American Oak barrels until it was racked, filtered and bottled *unfined* in March, 2005.

The 2005 Vintage yielded about 250 cases.

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