

RIDGE 2008  
CALIFORNIA  
ZINFANDEL  
PAGANI RANCH

85% ZINFANDEL, 10% ALICANTE BOUSCHET, 3% PETITE SIRAH,  
2% CARIGNANE, SONOMA VALLEY 15.0% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME  
PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY RIDGE VINEYARDS  
18100 MONTE BELLO ROAD, P. O. BOX 1810, CUPERTINO, CALIFORNIA 95015

**08 Zinfandel, Pagani Ranch, bottled 5/10**

California's dry winter weather persisted for a second year, and the deep roots of these century-old vines provided just enough water to get through the growing season. We picked on September 30, crushing the small crop into five open-top tanks. To stabilize alicante's intense color, we co-fermented it with the zinfandel. Juice was pumped over skins for five days during a vigorous natural-yeast fermentation. Natural secondary finished by mid-November. Each lot was exceptional, and we combined all five for this year's Pagani. Racked to barrel early, its intense fruit and amazing depth permitted use of twenty-five percent new american oak barrels; the rest were one, three, and four years old. Over fifteen months, tannins have softened. The wine's complex fruit and superb balance will show best over the next seven to eight years. EB (3/10)

750 mL Product of USA  
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