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08 Zinfandel, Ponzo Vineyard, bottled 1/10

Bob Ponzo's vineyard lies just south of the town of Healdsburg in the Russian River Valley. Cool spring weather—typical of this region—delayed budbreak, but flowering and fruit set were complete by early June, and a warm summer ripened the grapes fully by early September. We harvested the Old Vine parcel (a traditional field blend of zinfandel and petite sirah) and the Triangle on September 5, and finished picking the Back Block September 18. The grapes all fermented on their natural yeasts for twelve days, on average. After natural malolactic, we racked the new wine to american oak barrels, fifteen percent of which were new. Rich and full-bodied, the 2008 Ponzo is nonetheless elegant—a zinfandel to be enjoyed over the next five to seven years. JO (11/09)

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