

RIDGE Fall 2016 Releases Wholesale Virtual Tasting Winemaker Notes & Tasting Order

Ridge 2013 Monte Bello Chardonnay – 14.5% ABV (2090 cs. produced) Santa Cruz Mtns AVA

100% chardonnay

“Striking pale gold. Fresh apricot and pear, citrus blossom, crème brûlée, dried fig, quince. Sweet-tart entry; grapefruit, wet stone, ginger root. Lively acid, elegant texture, outstandingly long finish.” –Eric Baugher (1/16)

Ridge 2014 Pagani Ranch Zinfandel – 14.8% ABV (3195 cs. produced) Sonoma Valley AVA

80% zinfandel, 17% alicante bouschet, 3% petite sirah

“Saturated ruby color. Boysenberry fruit, plum skin, toasted oak. Full entry, sweet bramble fruit, mineral earthiness. Layered, with dense full-bodied tannins, firm acid, lengthy finish.” –EB (5/16)

Ridge 2014 Ponzo Zinfandel – 14.6% ABV (1586 cs. produced) Russian River Valley AVA

96% zinfandel, 4% petite sirah

“Vibrant fresh cherry, raspberry, and tropical nose. Medium-bodied on the palate, with elegant, well-integrated tannins. Lively acidity. Notes of mineral and vanilla leading into a nice, lingering finish.” –Michael Bairdsmith (5/16)

Ridge 2014 Lytton Springs – 14.4% ABV (11561 cs. produced) Dry Creek Valley AVA

69% zinfandel, 18% petite sirah, 11% carignane, 2% mataro (mourvedre)

“Deep purple color. Appealing aromas of black pepper, cassis, and licorice. Layered plum, blackberry fruit on the palate; medium/full-bodied, with silky tannins. Notes of chapparal and mocha on the finish.” –John Olney (3/16)

Ridge 2014 Lytton Estate Petite Sirah – 13.9% ABV (2195 cs. produced) Dry Creek Valley AVA

“Opaque purple in color. Complex nose of blackberry, plum, tarragon, mint, and cocoa. Beautifully well-balanced. Full-bodied with chalky tannins. Rich and concentrated plum and mint on the finish.” –MB (5/16)

Ridge 2013 Monte Bello – 13.6% ABV (5012 cs. produced) Santa Cruz Mountains AVA

80% cabernet sauvignon, 8% petit verdot, 7% cabernet franc, 5% merlot

“Opaque ruby color. Ripe mountain briar and cassis fruits; licorice, crushed limestone, sweet toasted oak, violets. Intense blackberry fruit on entry; cola, exotic oak spice. Well-defined full body, rich structure, firm acid, wet stone mineral. Long, intense finish.” –EB (1/16)

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