

# ZINFANDEL

ORIGIN: Croatia, Dalmation Coast

USE: Table wines, dessert wines, rose, excels in California



**CLUSTERS:** Medium to large; cylindrical to long conical, often winged, sometimes with double wings, compact; short to medium-length peduncles; often with a wide range of ripe and under-ripe berries.

**BERRIES:** medium to large; round to oblate; deep blue-black; prominent rust-colored stylar scar (a small, corky area remaining on the apex of the berry).

**MISC:** Synonyms include; Tribidrag, Pribidrag-Crljenak Kasteljanski (Croatia), Primitivo (Italy)

**LEAVES:** medium to large; deeply 5-lobed, often overlapping; lyre-shaped petiolar sinus; long, jagged teeth; dense hair on lower leaf surface.

**SHOOT TIPS:** downy to felt; young leaves bronze-red.

**GROWTH:** In fertile sites it must be managed carefully to avoid overcropping due to its naturally high fruitfulness.



*"Zinfandel is the back bone of our wines in Sonoma. It is perfectly suited to Northern California."*