

## R & B Cellars 2009 Zydeco Zinfandel Napa Valley

Vineyards: Bingham Ranch, Napa Valley

Composition: 95% Zinfandel, 5% Petite Sirah

Harvested: October 2009

**Bottled:** September 2011

Released: October 2011

**Production:** 500 Cases

Cooperage: 100% French Oak

8 coopers – Jarnac, Rousseau, St. Martin, Boutes, Vicard, Seguin Moreau. Treuil. Radoux

Aged 18 months in all brand new French oak

## **Winemaker's Comments**

Typical of a Napa zinfandel, the Bingham Ranch zinfandel is dark, rich, and intense. Blackberries and dark black cherries are the predominant fruits in this rich, extracted wine. The French oak is the perfect compliment to the fruit, adding hints of chocolate and toasty vanilla tones in the finish. The wine starts with an initial explosion of black fruit, and then opens layer upon layer of rich fruit and spice, to a long and mouth filling finish. Like the dynamic Zydeco music for which it is named, this wine will get your taste buds dancing!

## **Reviews**

"Deep aromas of blackberry, raspberry, cherry/black cherry and plum, surrounded by chocolate, vanilla, spice and oak, with hints of earth and flesh. This is what you'd expect from a Napa sin: dark berry fruits supported by a good complement of oak, ending in a firm but balanced finish."

94 Points – Just Wine Points

"The ripe red and blackberries leap from the glass. Scents of blackberry, raspberry, and blueberry mingle with vanilla, allspice, and raspberry jam. The palate delivers the same fruit explosion that slowly fades revealing oak, earth, and brown spice noted lurking beneath..." BRILLIANT - BevEx

## Awards:

Consumer Wine Awards – Gold Medal 94 Points – Just Wine Points