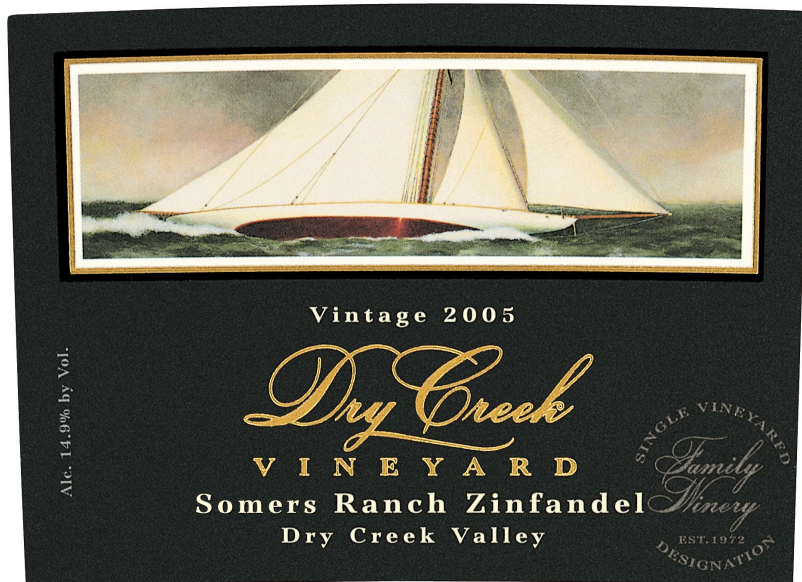


2005 SOMERS RANCH ZINFANDEL – DRY CREEK VALLEY



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EXCEPTIONAL
Dan Berger's Vintage Experiences

★★★★ FOUR STARS
Restaurant Wine

GRAPES 100% Zinfandel

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley

PRODUCTION 614 cases

HARVEST October 12, 2005

FERMENTATION Fermented 21 days
at 85° F

BARREL AGING 19 months in French
and American oak, 40% new oak

ALCOHOL 14.9%

TOTAL ACIDITY 0.56

pH 3.69

RESIDUAL SUGAR Dry

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Somers Ranch is an exceptional vineyard located in the eastern hills of the Dry Creek Valley. At first swirl, aromas of boysenberry, cherry, and pepper provide an exciting preview for the flavors that follow. On the palate, the fruit is succulent and rich, without being overpowering. The tannins are smooth and integrated and develop further with more time in the glass. This wine displays impeccable balance and structure for a young Zinfandel and should continue to develop for the next five years.



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