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ORGANIC**

Storybook Mountain Vineyards

N A P A V A L L E Y

Occupying a mountainside at the head of the Napa Valley, Storybook Mountain has been dedicated to Zinfandel for 30 years. Zinfandel is uniquely well-adapted to the red clay loam soils, eastern exposures and microclimate of Storybook's hillside estate. The vines are hand-tended, from pruning stages through harvest; yields average 2–2.5 tons/acre. The estate eschews all herbicides and insecticides, preferring organic viticultural solutions for the last 30 years. Grapes are quickly moved to the fermenter within 40 minutes of picking where a gentle pressing marries the mountainside tannins to the deep varietal flavors and estate character. Storybook uses only tightly-grained cooperage, French, American and Hungarian oak air-dried at least 2 years. **100% Certified Organic**

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barrel-fermented to dryness and aged sur lie, this sensual Viognier is unusually aromatic and flavorful with an exceptionally full middle palate

*Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine on the 2007: **91 POINTS** "Lovely aromas of white peaches, Bosc pears and honeysuckle are joined by hints of hardwoods in the rich and pulpy first impression. The wine is full bodied in weight and exceptionally well-balanced in spite of its evident viscosity. Its flavors are long and rich, pulpy and mineral, nicely on-point and promise to get better over time."*

ZINFANDEL ESTATE Mayacamas Range

*Wine & Spirits on the 2008: **95 POINTS** "There's something about the way zin ripens in the east-facing hills north of Calistoga that appeals to me in my gut as much as my brain. It has the freshness of blackberries picked on a hike in Point Reyes. That wild berry flavor tinges toward brighter fruit, layering vibrant strawberry, tart raspberry and cracked black pepper into a savory Napa Valley red. Yum may not be a technical term, but I wrote it twice in a 20 wine tasting, once for this wine and again for Storybook's Antaeus. Balanced, sophisticated and elegant, this gains with air and would be delicious with simple roast leg of lamb."*

ZINFANDEL ESTATE Eastern Exposure

*Robert Parker on the 2007: **90 POINTS** "Normally, the softest wine of the group and the portfolio (a title it retains in 2007) is the 2007 Zinfandel Eastern Exposures. This is a smaller cuvee of just over 500 cases. Elegant berry fruit intermixed with briary notes, loamy soil undertones, pepper and spice are followed by a round, soft, easygoing wine that should drink nicely for the next 4-5 years."*

ZINFANDEL ESTATE RESERVE

ANTAEUS ESTATE Zinfandel Blend

*Wine & Spirits on the 2007: **94 POINTS** "The wine hits an astonishing balance in this vintage, rich without weight. And while I have notes on the multihued berry flavors, the floral scents of violets and Earl Grey tea, it's the texture that sets this wine apart, the love child of cabernet's growling tannins and zin's gentler caress. Not to be missed."*

SEPS ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The same structure, finesse, and purity of fruit that have long characterized Storybook Zinfandel are evident here, reflecting the estate's relatively cool climate, clay-loam soils, and exposures (E and N). The style reflects owner Jerry Seps' preference for wines of moderate alcohol, exemplary balance, and intense, focused fruit.

*Wine & Spirits on the 2007: **93 POINTS** "This wine has the sweetness of ripe cherries and the plumpness of porcini pulled from the forest floor. The satin-smooth texture holds a plentiful reserve of tannin, completely filling the center of the wine without grounding its long arc of flavor. It combines savory and sweet elements in a compelling finish that will only gain complexity with age."*

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