

2021 TURLEY "DRAGON VINEYARD" ZINFANDEL HOWELL MOUNTAIN

HISTORY

Dragon Vineyard is an estate-farmed, certified organic vineyard. Planted at 2250 feet at one of the highest points on Howell Mountain, the vineyard sits well above the fog line and faces east, first to receive the soft morning sun. These important features, along with the rocky, red volcanic soil, make for a unique, full-bodied, powerful Zinfandel. This is often Larry's favorite since it goes with what he most likes to cook: bold, flavorful, spice-laden meats laid over an open fire. There's a reason Howell Mountain was the first designated sub-AVA in Napa Valley: the wines from this hallowed ridge are the most distinctive in the entire region.

TASTING NOTES

Certified organic and planted at 2400' above Napa Valley, these wines are among the most distinctive in the entire region. Back with renewed verve, Dragon is brimming with savory white pepper, lavender, blackberry, cassis, dried herbs and anise. Signature Howell Mountain tannin and texture provide a cohesive balance in this elegant behemoth. AVA: Napa Valley Sub-AVA: Howell Mountain Soil: Volcanic Elevation: 2.250 ft **Planted: 2000** Variety: Zinfandel Viticulture: Certified organic, hand harvested Fermentation: Native yeast Barrels: 80% used oak. 20% new 80% French oak, 20% American Aging: 15 months in barrel Bottled unfined and unfiltered First Turley Vintage: 2002 Alcohol: 15.3% Serving Temp: 55-65°F Release: Spring 2023



