



Scherrer Winery "Old and Mature Vines" Zinfandel

Fred Scherrer makes this from "Old" vines in his family's vineyard that his great grandfather planted in 1912, and from "Mature" vines that average 30 years of age. The vineyard is located just north of Napa in the Alexander Valley.

Fred releases his wines when they are ready to drink. 2002 is his current release.

This is a "classic" style of Zinfandel that is restrained, layered and elegant. Its bright acidity and complex fruit make it a great pairing with wood grilled meats and fish in assertive sauces. It is a great example of what CA Zin used to be.

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2002 Scherrer Old and Mature Vines

Four generations of the Scherrer family have tended this Alexander Valley vineyard, first planted in 1912. It took grandson and winemaker Fred to create this stellar Zin, a soft, beautifully weighted wine.



90 points

Good medium-deep red. Liqueur-like red berries, pepper, mocha and sexy oak notes of sandalwood and cinnamon on the nose; this reminded me of Chateaufort du Pape.

Lush, ripe red berry flavors firm by harmonious acidity. Still a bit youthfully tight, with a saline nuance. But this is suave, fresh and serious, and not overly sweet. Firmly structured, adult zinfandel for drinking over the next several years.

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