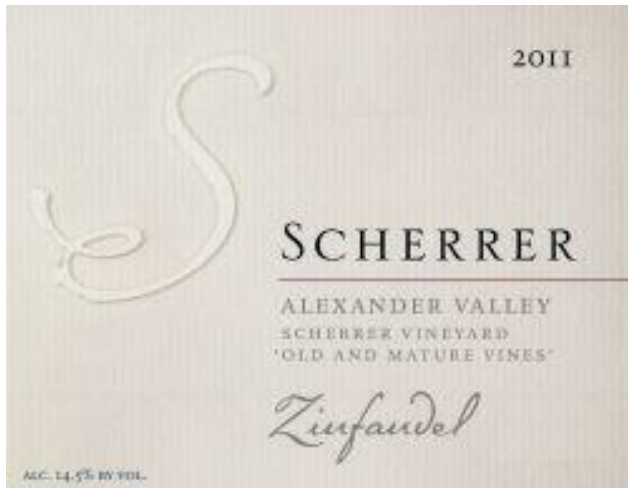


# Zinfandel

## Old & Mature Vines, 2011



Our old vine Zinfandel represents the labor of three generations of the Scherrer family — many of the vines that produced this wine were planted in 1912. It was bottled without fining or filtration to capture the beauty and personality of the Scherrer Vineyard. Although enjoyable in its youth, it should age and develop gracefully for 5 to 10 years after the vintage.

### Winemaker's Notes

It is hard to hide my excitement over this nice, cool vintage in Alexander Valley. The weather allowed perfectly appropriate tannic structure to create a spine for the fleshy fruity parts to hang on to. This was harvested well before any of the fall rains arrived. At the moment before bottling, my tasting notes still stand consistent with those from the future offering: “Nice black, red and blue fruits are juxtaposed against appropriately firm structure and somewhat savory, earthy notes as well.” I would add that there is now a little more lavender perfume and spices, but this wine definitely has its own mind and is on its own course for a very long trajectory. I wish we had *waaay* more of this.