

2017

MONGA ZIN®

Old Vines Zinfandel Lopez Vineyard, Cucamonga Valley

We christened the *Monga Zin*[®] as we stumbled while saying its appellation too many times, probably after having too much of this HUMONGOUS mouthful of fruit and rich milk chocolate.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Deep black cherry fruit, dried cranberry, orange zest, berry patch

in the sun! Dusty vanilla-caramel oak, graham crackers, and cocoa.

Fragrant Moroccan-Asian spices—Chinese 5-spice mélange... Mouthfeel is creamy yet tangy bright cherry, firm-sturdy tannins and a long, lush finish. Super concentrated. Quite drinkable now,

but will age a good 15-20 years. Very mouthfilling!

Harvest Date: September 4, 2017

Average Brix at Harvest: 29.3°Brix

Fermentation: 3 days of cold soak, déléstaged 2 times

before 12°Brix, total of 12 days on skins

Cellar Storage/Aging: 14 months aged in:

25% new American oak barrels

75% older French/American oak barrels

Alcohol: 14.55%

Total Acidity: 0.75 gm/100ml

pH: 3.52

Varietal: 100% Zinfandel

Appellation: Jose Lopez Vineyard,

Cucamonga Valley, **CCOF organic** Planted 1918, **dry-farmed** bush vines

Approx. Case production: 1141 cases

Bottling Date: January 14, 2019
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