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**20|09** To create Artezín Zinfandel, winemaker Randle Johnson strives for a classic varietal, fruit-forward, “Zinny” Zin. To do so, he seeks out regions best suited to creating a wine that represents this signature Artezín style – a full-bodied wine with round tannins and moderate alcohol.

To create the best wine each vintage, our winemaker seeks out sustainably farmed, family-owned vineyards with superior winegrowing potential. Artezín Mendocino County Zinfandel represents a blend of the best grapes from vineyards in the ridgelines and bench lands of the Ukiah Valley in Mendocino County.

#### Winemaker Notes

Ruby red and purple in hue, this wine has aromas of black pepper, boysenberry, clove, cinnamon and allspice. The red fruit flavors fill the palate, dominated by raspberry, red cherry and pomegranate, complemented by hints of nutmeg and rosemary for a classic varietal character. Soft, supple tannins create a firm, yet lush mouthfeel. With its bright fruit-forward flavor profile and spicy palate, this wine is truly a “Zinny” Zin. Though this wine is created for immediate enjoyment, it will age gracefully for 2-3 years.

**Appellation:** Mendocino County

**TA:** 0.58 g/100ml

**Harvest Dates:** Sept. 9 – Oct. 22, 2009

**Blend:** 91% Zinfandel, 8% Petite Sirah,  
1% Carignan

**Cooperage:** 100% French Oak, second and third fill

**Ph:** 3.82

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

#### Mendocino County Vineyards

Mendocino’s Mediterranean climate is notable for warmer days, which provide optimal ripening conditions, giving this wine its signature peppery notes and fruit-forward flavors, while cool evenings help Zinfandel retain balanced acidity and good structure.

