

## 2011 CENTENNIAL ZINFANDEL

### A TRADITION OF SUSTAINABLE WINEGROWING

As a fifth generation farm family, sustainable winegrowing is a way of life. We learned early on that to be generational we must be sustainable. As a result, our dedication to improving vineyard practices and health of our surrounding natural environment is how we farm. After nearly 30 years, agriculture continues to be the core of who we are and in 2006 we opened our own winery to show that great wine begins in the vineyard. Our 2011 Centennial Zinfandel carries on this proud tradition of sustainable winegrowing.  
-Enjoy! Randall and Brad Lange (The Twins)

### GROWING SEASON

The 2011 season brought Lodi and Clarksburg Appellations one of the coolest springs in the past six years with below average temperatures and heavy rains. Our mid-80's summer temperatures, with just a few days over 95 and cool evenings, created a well-balanced vine, but delayed harvest. Once harvest began, white varietals produced softer yields resulting in intense flavors and wonderful quality. In October we received rain, but fortunately our water-sensitive varietals were harvested and the remaining red varietals could shrug off a wet day. With a cooler year and lucky timing, our red wines showcase deep color, robust aromas and concentrated flavors.

### VINEYARD NOTES

Planted in 1903 the Lewis vineyard is "head-trained, spur-pruned", where the vines have a central trunk with arms growing in all different directions. This goblet shape allows for uniform sun exposure and a distribution of grape bunches ideal for ripening.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

As the 105<sup>th</sup> vintage crafted from the Lewis Family Vineyard, our 2011 Centennial Zinfandel continues to be a reflection of these old growth vines. Our traditional hands-off approach to winemaking allows the natural richness and complexity of this historic vineyard to shine through. Concentrated flavors of raspberry and black licorice seamlessly meld together with tones of warm spice and vanilla from 24 months in fine grained American Oak barrels. With a velvety texture and supple tannins this is an elegant single vineyard Zinfandel that celebrates Lodi's long history of this exceptional varietal.

### WINE STATISTICS

Varietal. Zinfandel	Appellation. Lodi, Ca
Vintage. 2011	Alcohol. 15.6%
Winemaker. David Akiyoshi	Estate Grown
Winegrowers. LangeTwins Family	Certified Sustainable

