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Good Evening, Join us for our Big Zinfandel tasting! Perfect reds for your July 4th Celebration

Dinner Special: BBQ Pork Ribs, Carona bean salad & cob corn

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**Full pour \$28 Half pour \$261**

**2017 Ridge Paso Robles Zinfandel \$38** The 2017 Zinfandel Paso Robles is a bigger, richer wine compared to the Dry Creek Release, and its deep purple color is followed by tons of sweet blueberry, mulberry, brambly herbs, and cigar wrapper notes. Rich, medium to full-bodied, sweetly fruited, and with ripe tannins, this is one sexy Zinfandel that can be drunk today or cellared for 10-15 years. 92 Points Jeb Dunnuck

**2017 Bedrock Old Vine Zinfandel \$27** Old-school meets new in this Zinfandel, with just enough polish and plumpness to match the briary rusticity. Offers expressive black cherry, smoky anise and white pepper flavors. Drink now through 2024. 93 Points Vinous. COMMENTARY: Morgan, Chris, and the whole crew at the Bedrock Wine Company get it: Make authentic wines that taste good. The 2017 Old Vine Zinfandel is an excellent example of what these guys do. TASTING NOTES: This wine is beautifully balanced, drinks well, and ready for the table. Its aromas and flavors of boysenberries, bramble berries, and a shading of oak should pair it famously grilled baby back ribs with a light hoisin sauce. (Tasted: December 4, 2018, San Francisco, CA)

**2017 Rombauer Zinfandel \$34** Our classic California Zinfandel is dark purple-ruby, with a bright crimson hue. On the nose, concentrated aromas of blackberry and raspberry meld with clove and spice. Lush flavors of raspberry, blackberry jam, plums and vanilla flood the palate, followed by touches of white pepper in the background. Plush and round tannins and great length make for a fresh and enticing finish.

**2016 Gehricke Russian River Valley Zinfandel \$29** Slightly brooding, but that's part of the appeal. Offers deep blueberry, underbrush and licorice flavors that finish with refined tannins. Drink now through 2024.

**2016 Field Recordings Fiction \$19**

Fiction, the original spin-off label, is a red wine produced from multiple vineyards and multiple varieties. Taking what the season gives and creating a blend made for every occasion. Ready for tonight, tomorrow or this weekend. Tasting Notes: Mounds of Shaved Coconut and Dark Chocolate covered in Cranberry and Blood Orange Relish paired with a box of black licorice and a stick of Big Red Gum. Blend : 42% Zinfandel, 26% Syrah, 12% Graciano, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Touriga, 4% Grenache

**2016 Ancient Peaks Zinfandel Paso Robles \$18**

Red Wine by Ancient Peaks from Central Coast, California. The 2016 Zinfandel jumps out of the glass with bold aromas of cherry jam, wild blackberry, violets, kirsch, and toasty oak. A rich, viscous texture is packed with dense flavors of black cherry, boysenberry, cola, and spicy vanilla. Lively notes of black pepper add focus to a smooth, jammy finish. The 2016 Zinfandel's deep, supple flavors are an excellent match for fine comfort foods, including wood-fired pizza. The 2016 Zinfandel's deep, supple flavors are an excellent match for fine comfort foods, including wood-fired pizzas, classic lasagna, Santa Maria-style tri-tip, and smoked gouda burgers.

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