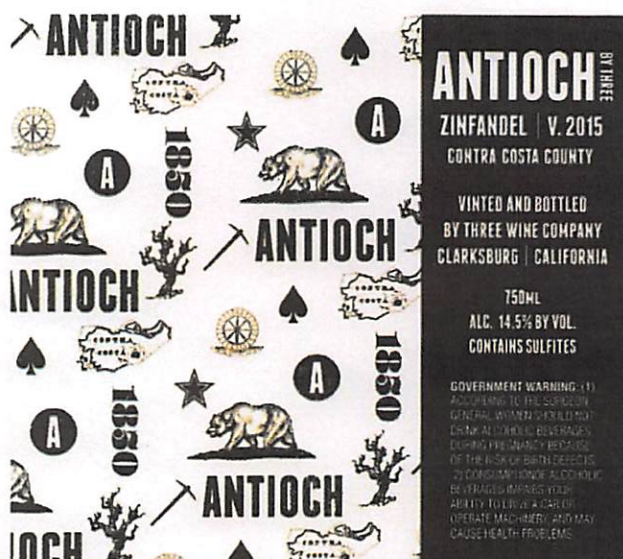


# Antioch Zinfandel



**83% Zinfandel**  
**10% Petite Sirah**  
**6% Mataro**  
**1% Carignan**

- **Vintage 2015**
- **AVA - 100% Contra Costa County**
- **Vinted & bottled by Three Wine Company**
- **Winemaker - Matt Cline**

The Zinfandel grapes sourced for this wine are from relatively new plantings in and around the bay area town of Oakley, in the north-east corner of Contra Costa County. Oakley is located at the apex of the Suisun Bay where the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers meet. Over time these rivers have dumped sand in deep deposits which the bay winds have pushed into sand dunes. This ancient dirt is classified as Delhi loam and is considered to contain the lowest organic material and the highest sand content than all other loam soils. The vines' growth characteristics in this type of soil are very low especially since many of these vineyards are dry-farmed. As the vast Central Valley of California heats up during the growing season, the microclimate of this area is significantly cooled by the massive air flows through the San Francisco Bay. This cooling wind slows down grape maturity and helps maintain bright acidities. This sand is also phylloxera resistant so many of these vineyards are own rooted. Grapes have been planted and have been growing in this area for more than 140 years.

The "field blend" contingent of this wine adds structure, color, cherry, and black fruit flavors. There is a deep concentration of ripe black cherries, spice and minerality (earthy berry) sneaking through. The mouth-feel is rich and balanced with a lingering peppery finish. Enjoy now or age 3 to 7 years.