



# CLIF FAMILY

— WINERY —

## 2021 Gary's Improv Napa Valley Zinfandel

### Vineyard

This Zinfandel comes from our new, CCOF certified Valle Di Sotto vineyard in the heart of the Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley. The Oak Knoll District is located at the southern end of the Valley where cooling marine influences create a unique micro-climate that helps the grapes maintain bright fruit flavors and retain acidity.

### Winemaking

Hand harvested in the cool morning hours; the fruit is hand sorted before the destemmer. After a three day cold soak, the juice is inoculated with cultured yeast. During fermentation, temperature and extraction are carefully managed. The wine is then pressed off the skins and placed in French oak barrels for aging.

### Tasting Notes

Beautiful bright red in color with serious and complex aromatics. Boysenberry, blackberry pie, and sage with a slightly more Cabernet-like character. The entry on the palate is fruit driven followed by a midpalate full of gentle tannins. The wine finishes with finesse and the length is driven by lasting fruit flavors.

### Wine Information

<b>Appellation:</b>	Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley
<b>Vineyard:</b>	Valle di Sotto
<b>Composition:</b>	93% Zinfandel and 7% Petite Sirah
<b>Oak Program:</b>	14 months in 20% new French Oak barrels
<b>Sustainability:</b>	CCOF, Napa Green, and Fish Friendly Farming
<b>Alcohol:</b>	15.1%
<b>Harvest Date:</b>	September 20 <sup>th</sup> and September 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
<b>Release Date:</b>	April 2023
<b>Drink By:</b>	Drink now through 2035
<b>Cases:</b>	620

