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**2001 Dante Dusi Vineyards zinfandel**

**VARIETAL(S):** 100% zinfandel

**APPELLATION:** 100% Paso Robles

**VINEYARD(S):** 100% Dante Dusi Vineyard

**BRIX AT HARVEST:** 25.0

**PH:** 3.93

**TA:** 6.08 g/L

**ALCOHOL:** 14.3%

**COOPERAGE:** 30% new oak, French & American, barrel aged for 10 months

**FERMENTATION:** 100% destemmed, with as many whole berries as possible, into 1-ton open top fermentors, punched down by hand 2-3 times per day. Pressed at dryness, settled, then racked to barrel. The yeast used was a commercial strain isolated from the Brunello region of Italy (BM-45).

**PRODUCTION:** 250 cases

**RECOMMENDED RETAIL:** \$28.00

**WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:** From one of the Central Coast's oldest vineyards (Dante's section was planted in 1945). No residual sugar or over-extraction like too many of today's "cult" zinfandels. Unlike those awkward efforts, this wine can be enjoyed with a variety of foods and will age gracefully.

**TASTING NOTES:** Nose of smoke and fruit (plums, raspberries). Quite extracted dark fruit flavors on palate, along with some earthy/spice flavors. Not too tannic, but finishes strongly.