

# Bailarin Cellars

## 2018 Alegria Zinfandel



### WINEMAKER NOTES

The wine features delicate aromas of perfume and rose petals, followed by notes of black currant and cedar. On the palate, flavors of raspberry and strawberry intermingle with earthy tones of tea leaf, creating a beautifully complex wine. Composition includes a field-blend of 78% Zinfandel, 11% Alicante Bouschet, 9% Petite Sirah. The remaining 2% includes Carignan, Trousseau [Bastardo], Sangiovese, Negrette, Plavac Mali, Palomino, Syrah, Tannat, Muscat Noir, Monbadon, Peloursin, Graciano, Cinsaut, Béclan, and Grenache.

### WINEMAKING TECHNIQUES

Harvested early in the morning to ensure gentle processing of cool fruit, the clusters were hand-sorted, destemmed, and crushed to release the juice. The extraction process began from the skins and the grapes were fermented in a jacketed, open-top tank.

### FRUIT SOURCE: AIEGRÍA VINEYARD

The rich history of Alegria can be traced back to 1890 when the Heritage Vines were first planted. In 1990, the Nachbaur family acquired the Acorn Vineyard, becoming stewards of a century-old field-blend Zinfandel. Today, the vineyard spans across 26 acres and features 111 different grape varieties, all sustainably farmed beneath the shade of towering oak trees.

### VINTAGE NOTES

This vintage bloom lasted longer than usual and provided consistent fruit throughout the vineyard, resulting in higher quality grapes. Slower ripening and cooler weather contributed to fully mature, sweet tannins, outstanding color, depth of fruit, and beautifully balanced wine. The 2018 vintage was an ideal growing season and is already showing its potential for greatness.

### THE WINERY

Bailarin Cellars was created in 2014 by a collective of family and friends, each following their respective passions. Together, we focus on producing small lots of handcrafted wines from unique vineyard sources. We are proud to share the fruits of our labor and love with you.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Russian River Valley  
Composition: Field-blend zinfandel  
Barrel Time: 11 Months, 30% new French oak  
Alcohol: 14.4%  
Cases Produced: 190  
Designations: Vegan, single vineyard

