NORMAN VINEYARDS

Norman Vineyards is a small family operated vineyard and winery in the hills west of Paso Robles. Founded over a quarter century ago by Art and Lei Norman, the grapes from their vineyards have won tremendous acclaim and respect from the many wineries that have purchased from them. They produce award-winning wines from their estate vineyard as well as from select varietals purchased from neighboring vineyards. The wines have intense varietal character and are handcrafted to preserve the natural fruit characteristics, yet offer a maturity and softness to the palate. Their goal is to produce moderately priced, exceptional wines.

Art and Lei Norman began planting their vineyards here in the hills of Adelaida in 1971. These native Californians grew up with a sense of the land's beauty and fragility. Their appreciation of the environment, the calciferous limestone soil and a unique micro-climate results in grapes of the highest varietal intensity without hard tannins. Art and Lei's cultural practices include erosion control, minimum use of pesticides and very little irrigation on, resulting in lower crop yields. Today the vineyard includes nearly 40 acres planted to Barbera, Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Merlot and Zinfandel.

<u>ZINFANDEL</u> "Old Vine" from Cucamonga Valley

GRAPE TYPE: 100% Zinfandel
COLOR: Dark cherry red
BOUQUET: Aromas of sage and other herbs with hints of cherry and cedar.
TASTE: Full flavors of matured fruit with soft tannins.
SPECIAL NOTES: Aged approximately 14 months in American and French oak.
RECOMMENDED DISHES: This wine goes great with red meats, pasta and cheese dishes.
SERVE: Room temperature; 68° F (20° C)



