

92 *Wine Enthusiast Magazine*
EDITOR'S CHOICE

Rich and nuanced, the flavors range from blackberries and blueberries through spiced plums and white chocolate. Best of all is the texture: rich, velvety, supple and flattering. It's a big wine, but wears its size well.

2000 TODD BROTHERS ZINFANDEL

88 *Wine & Spirits Magazine*

A clear statement of Alexander Valley flavor comes through in the complexity of this wine. It's soft and cool up front, then generous and warm in the finish where the vanillin of oak lasts. A big wine for rustic, peppery pate de foie. 2000 TODD BROTHERS ZINFANDEL

90 *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

An impressive effort from Dashe. The opaque purple-colored 1999 Zinfandel Todd Brothers Ranch boasts a superb bouquet of pure, jammy black raspberries, cherries, minerals, and subtle notions of earth and wood. Full-bodied, powerful, big and thick, this dense, blockbuster Zinfandel can be drunk now and over the next 7-8 years. Bravo!

1999 TODD BROTHERS ZINFANDEL

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The second vintage of this wine, from dry-farmed, 52-year-old vines is a big'un, with plenty of backbone and muscular tannin. The same sweet, floral, grapey nose identifies it as Todd Brothers, and he used just 18% new oak, keeping the fruit up-front where it belongs.

1999 TODD BROTHERS ZINFANDEL

DASHE CELLARS



Zinfandel

TODD BROTHERS RANCH
ALEXANDER VALLEY

Michael & Anne Dashe
Proprietors/Winemakers

ZINFANDEL
TODD BROTHERS RANCH
HOTSHEET

"Mike Dashe has parlayed his experience as Assistant Winemaker at Ridge Vineyards into the launch of Dashe Cellars. Zinfandel was the logical focus, given his background with the variety at Ridge, and with his wife and co-winemaker, Anne, he tracked down grape sources in Sonoma County. Their efforts are impressive, showing juicy raspberry, black cherry and spice flavors." (6/99)

The Wine Spectator

"HIGHLY RECOMMENDED: Attractive, briary, jammy, tarrish; full body; plummy, chocolatey, very ripe fruit flavors, lingering aftertaste." (12/02)

California Grapevine

"Dark, ripe and juicy, with plush blackberry, black cherry, anise, earth and mineral flavors that turn smooth and sophisticated" (6/01)

The Wine Spectator

90 *California Grapevine*
SECOND PLACE
VERY HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Medium-dark ruby color with purplish tinges; attractive, forward, intense, bold, spicy, jammy, ripe raspberry and blackberry fruit; medium-full to full body; big, rich, intense, textured, concentrated, high extract; lingering aftertaste.

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Winemaker Michael Dashe singled out this old-vine fruit for special handling, and it pays off in a very fragrant, sweetly grapey wine with an enticing, intoxicating bouquet. Herbs and wildflowers and mixed red fruits explode in a profusion of scents and delicious layers of flavors.

1998 TODD BROTHERS ZINFANDEL