



**2006 Brassfield Estate**  
**ZINFANDEL**  
**Round Mountain Volcano**  
**High Valley Appellation**

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Our 2006 Round Mountain Volcano Zinfandel is sourced from a five acre Zinfandel block planted in 1998 on the steep north-facing volcanic slopes at the foot of Round Mountain volcano in High Valley. On the opposite side of Round Mountain is the other contributing component of the blend represented by a new planting in 2004 at the Volcano Ridge Vineyard. The compressed volcanic sands, or tephra, provide excellent drainage and create smaller production yields, while the northern and eastern exposures of these vineyards allow for longer maturation and fruit intensity in the grape berries. These two sources represent the blend that consists of the Primitivo clone and the DuPratt clone.

The grapes were picked at the peak of ripeness, and the must was allowed to cold soak at 55 degrees Fahrenheit for three days for ultimate fruit extraction. The wine was aged in small oak cooperage for 14 months of which 30% was new French, American, and Hungarian oak in equal proportions. A small percentage of Syrah from the neighboring vineyard (2%) was blended to enhance the structure and add some additional depth to the finished wine.

Wild blackberries and dark, red cherry aromas give the impression of sweet, ripe fruit. There are also subtle nuances of allspice, roasted coffee, vanilla and black tea. More Claret in style, this medium bodied Zin shows candy-apple and rose petal flavors with a touch of white pepper in a delicate structured finish.

**TECHNICAL DATA**

Winemaker:	Kevin Robinson
Appellation:	High Valley
Vineyard:	Round Mountain Volcano
Varietal Comp:	98% Zinfandel, 2% Syrah
Titrateable Acidity:	0.69 g/100ml
pH:	3.57
Brix at Harvest:	27.0
Alcohol:	14.7% by volume
Oak Aging:	14 months in French, American, Hungarian Oak



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