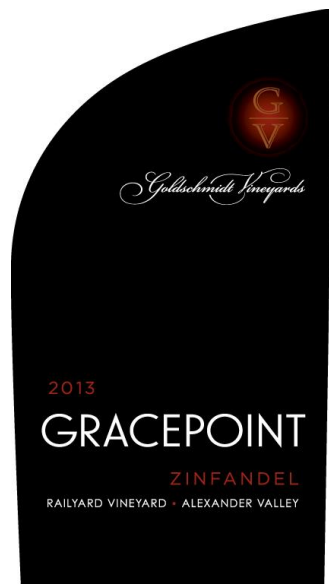


# GRACEPOINT



## 2013 ZINFANDEL RAILYARD VINEYARD ALEXANDER VALLEY

Gracepoint – a simple word but a concept deep in meaning. The Gracepoint is a point of elegance and beauty of movement, form, expression or proportion. Our Gracepoint brand is the embodiment of that grace in a wine.



**Nick Goldschmidt:** one of the world's most respected winemakers with over 25 years experience

**Single Vineyard:** Railyard sits on a gentle, east-facing slope on the north side of Geyserville

**Style:** Full fruit up front with great depth and flavor concentration

**Vintage:** One of the best vintages in 30 years from the Alexander Valley. Great season, warmer than 2012, but a moderate one with no heat spikes and grape dehydration. Fully mature flavors and soft, supple tannins.

### **Tasting Notes:**

Aromas of spice, black pepper, roasted herbs, dark fruits, and floral notes. Refined and well balanced with sugarplum, blackberry, and black cherry flavors along with smoke and chocolate. The waves of fruit are underlined by a soft acidity. A terrific limited offering from veteran winemaker Nick Goldschmidt!

## TECHNICAL DATA

**Varietal:** 100% Zinfandel

**Vines:** Old mass selection on St. George rootstock

**Aspect:** Eastern-facing

**Soils:** Sandy loam over riverbed gravel. Offers good water retention, especially during drought years

**Harvest:** Early morning harvest for cool temps

**Harvest Date:** handpicked Sep 21, 2013

**Fermentation:** Free run on the skins for three weeks in small, open fermenters

**Aging:** 16 months in small French barriques, Demptos Cooperage

**TA:** 5.8g/l

**pH:** 3.66

**Alcohol:** 14.6%

**RS:** 2.2 g/l

**Fining:** None

**Filtered:** No

**Production:** 4 barrels (107cs)

**Release Date:** October 2016

*Nick Goldschmidt*  
WINEMAKER