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**RELEASE DATE**

April 2015

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**APPELLATION**

El Dorado

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**VARIETAL(S)**

Zinfandel

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**BRIX AT HARVEST**

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**COOPERAGE**

Stainless Steel

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**ALCOHOL**

14.1%

**RESERVE PRIMITIVO, DELFINO VINEYARD  
2013 CHARLES B. MITCHELL VINEYARDS****WINEMAKER'S NOTES**

Primitivo is grown in Puglia, the "heel" of Italy, and it is estimated to be the country's 12th most widely planted grape variety. Introduced to Italy in the 18th century from Croatia and brought to California in 1968 by UC Davis Professor Austin Goheen. The climate of Fair Play yields a Primitivo deeply colored with rich character, concentrated flavors of zesty cherry, wild blackberry, raspberry and spice (perhaps clove, anise), notes that are common in wines the earlier-ripening Primitivo.

Primitivo is often praised for its ability to reflect both its terroir and its winemaker's style and skill. The 2013 Charles B. Mitchell Reserve Primitivo represents the AVA with deep colors and robust bramble flavors, and a great mouth feel (texture).

This 2013 Charles B. Mitchell Reserve Primitivo will be best enjoyed after bottle aging for at least 6 months and continued aging for an additional five years.

**CHARLES B. MITCHELL VINEYARDS**

Charles B. Mitchell has been producing award-winning wines in the Sierra Foothills for over 20 years. In the early 2000s, he purchased the original UC Davis test plot and started to carefully tend our grapes to create some of the area's premier Zinfandels. After discovering the true potential of the region, Charles was instrumental in creating the thirty-three square miles known as Fair Play into an established American Viticultural Area.