

2009 Ridge Ponzo Vineyard Zinfandel

WHO: Ridge Vineyards

WHAT: Zinfandel, Petite Sirah (2%)

WHERE: Russian River Valley, California

WHEN: 2009

The nose is slightly vegetal, suggesting perhaps some whole cluster fermentation. Blackberries on attack are followed by raspberries on the mid-palate and finish. Black pepper runs under everything from attack to finish. On the mid-palate, first mocha, then dark chocolate, come through. The long finish tastes of dark chocolate and dusty tannins. Drink with well smoked pork ribs. Recommended. DH

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