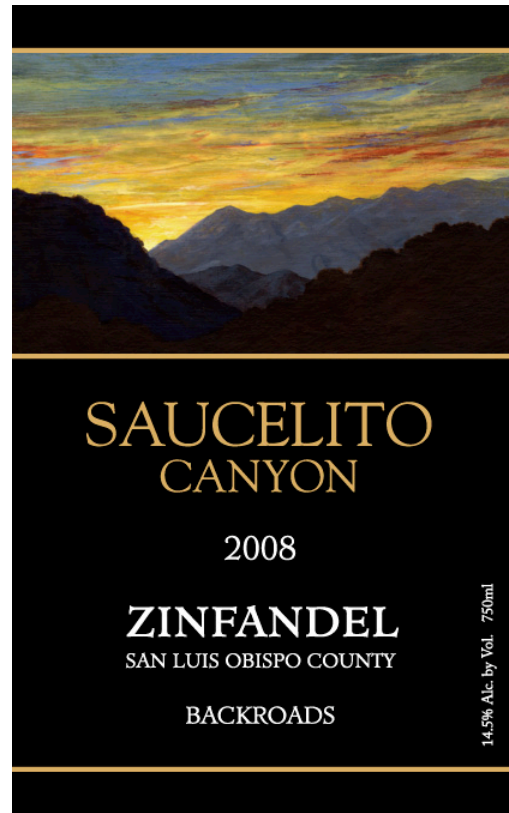


## 2008 ZINFANDEL *Backroads*

<b>Varietal blend:</b>	96% Zinfandel, 4% Petite Sirah
<b>Vineyard:</b>	French Camp, Margarita, Pozo Valley
<b>Appellation:</b>	100% San Luis Obispo County
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.5%
<b>Malolactic :</b>	100% complete
<b>Cellared:</b>	8 months in 100% oak
<b>New oak:</b>	10% new American Oak
<b>Bottling date:</b>	7.31.09
<b>Bottled cases:</b>	<b>916</b>
<b>Release date:</b>	October 09
<b>Retail price:</b>	\$18.00



### **Tasting Notes:**

The 2008 *Backroads* Zinfandel is once again an insight into the lighter side of Zin. Bright crimson in color, this young wine has enjoyable red cherry & strawberry jam aromas. With a hint of fresh raspberry it also displays light brown sugar and baking spice in the nose. Upon first sip, bright acidity features full bing cherry notes followed by soft, round enjoyable tannins. The light, minimal oak presence provides a canvas for this easy drinking, fruit forward wine.

### **Food Pairings:**

Try with creamy parmesan & roasted veggie risotto or host an easy appetizer party pairing the 2008 *Backroads* with triple cream brie & Kalamata olive baguette. Saucelito Canyon's tasting room staff recommends a classic hamburger topped with smoked cheddar & Sunday night football. Cheers!