

2017 Turley "Judge Bell," Zinfandel, Amador County

As our Amador winery is located on Bell Road, we named this wine for the eponymous (and notorious) "hanging" Judge Bell, who presided over the nearby town of Plymouth during its Gold Rush heyday. Harking from own-rooted vines planted in 1907, the wine shows quintessential Amador granitic tannins & briary fruits.

Savory Provencal herbs, rosemary, mint and dark flowers on the Nebbiolo-like nose. Judge Bell has a striking texture, with stony, unique tannins owing to the 112-year-old vines that are deeply rooted in these organically farmed granite soils of the Sierra Foothills. The elegant and fine-grained layers linger through the clean acidity, like a deep breath of fresh mountain air.



Old vines in Plymouth, Amador County

- All natural yeasts used in all fermentations
- Aged in 80% used oak barriques, of which 80% is French (the rest American)
- Bottled after 15 months in barrel