



Our Home Ranch Zinfandel is built around the original vines planted by our founders in 1895. Five Generations and 125 years in the making, Home Ranch Zinfandel is a stunning expression of the heights to which Zinfandel can ascend.

VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage was marked by lower-than-average rainfall overall, with Sonoma receiving about 55% of average precipitation. Cool weather at the start of the vintage, in March and April, led to some late-season frost with overnight low's plunging into the 30's through the beginning of May. Summer got off to a slow start with warm days through June and July and a coastal fog rolling in with the onset of veraison to provide a moderating influence. August was hot, with one particularly scorching heatwave that kept temperatures above 100° for ten days in a row and brought some unusual lightning storms to the region that ultimately sparked a series of devastating fires in the region. As the smoke cleared, the weather cooled and presented ideal conditions to begin harvest after a review of the vineyards. Those intense heat spikes of the growing season helped to drive intensity and develop ripe fruit flavors in our grapes. Cooler temperatures at the end of the season ensured balanced acidity and sugar levels and allowed for longer hang times.

VITICULTURE & WINE MAKING

Grapes were hand harvested and sorted before being gently destemmed and transferred in to small open-top fermentors. The fermentations were punched down by pneumatic plunger during maceration for 9-12 days before the free run wine was drained and transferred to barrel. The wines completed malolactic fermentation in barrel. Aged 14 months in 22% 2nd fill French oak barrels, 78% neutral French and American oak barrels. Racked twice prior to blending and once to bottle.

SIP & SAVOR

Intense aromatics of dark cherry cordial and black plum are complemented by savory notes of baking spice, clay earth and allspice. A bright entry of briary black raspberry gives way to a bold palate of voluminous, lively tannins and a powerful, round rich finish. Pair with rich and meaty short ribs, braised pork belly, or gnocchi gorgonzola.

ANALYSIS

VARIETAL	ALCOHOL	PH	TA
97% Zinfandel, 3% Petite Sirah	15.5%	3.82	5.8 grams/liter

KEY FACTS

- The core of our Home Ranch Zinfandel comes from our founding blocks, planted in 1895 at our flagship Home Ranch Vineyard in Alexander Valley.
- Winemaking team employs a combination of open-top fermentors and an indigenous yeast train cultivated from Home Ranch Vineyard.
- A stunning expression of the heights to which Zinfandel can ascend - bold yet balanced, complex, and layered with an exceptional purity of fruit.