

EST. 1895
SEGHE SIO
 FAMILY VINEYARDS

2023
OLD VINE ZINFANDEL
 SONOMA COUNTY



Bold and spicy with rich, briary fruit, our Old Vine Zinfandel showcases the complexity and intensity that only truly old vines can yield. For us, “Old Vine” means that the vines are at least 50 years old, and we source grapes for this wine from exceptional vineyards that are closer to 75 years old on average.

VINTAGE

In 2023, abundant rainfall at the start of the growing season brought both benefits and challenges, including saturated soils and delays in cultural practices. As sunny weather arrived, regenerative vineyard management was implemented, featuring adjusted timing of practices, maintaining active roots in the soil, using vineyard crimpers, and establishing cover crops of 8–10,000 pounds per acre to protect and enrich the soil. A needs based fungicide schedule reduced applications, while mechanical canopy lifting expanded to nearly 200 acres for precise management. Favorable summer conditions with cool nights, mild afternoons, and no extreme heat ensured a smooth harvest of high-quality fruit. Post-harvest efforts included cover crop experimentation, pruning, and planning for the next year. The grapes were harvested between September 28th and October 18th, 2023.

VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested and sorted by hand to ensure uniformly ripened fruit is delivered to the winery. After being lightly crushed they were fermented in small open-top stainless-steel tanks and mixed using pneumatic punch down devices - to facilitate extraction and pumped over to allow for gentle aeration. Free-run wine is drained to barrel after 8 to 12 days on skins and allowed to complete alcoholic fermentation and undergo malolactic conversion. The wines are allowed to evolve for 10 months prior to blending and returned to barrel to integrate for 5 more months prior to bottling. Aged 14 months in 17% New French Oak; 83% Neutral French and American Oak.

ANALYSIS

VARIETALS	ALCOHOL	PH	TA
83% Zinfandel	15%	3.78	6.06 grams/liter
7% Petite Sirah			
5% Carignane			
3% Alicante			
Bouschet			
2% Mixed Reds			

SIP & SAVOR

This wine invites you in with layered aromatics of black plum, dried fig, clay earth, garrigue, and cardamom spice, complemented by a quintessential briar patch of red raspberry, blackberry, and black cherry. The luscious, mouth-filling entry evokes chocolate cherry cordial, leading into a juicy, supple mid-palate with mouthwatering acidity and hints of baking spice. The finish is rich and velvety, with mature, age-worthy tannins that provide balance and structure. Beautifully crafted, this Old Vine Zinfandel pairs perfectly with Beef Braciolo, mushroom sugo, and cherry balsamic pork tenderloin.