2023 California ZINFANDEL

Introduced to California during the Gold Rush, Zinfandel is considered by many to be America's heritage grape. This Zinfandel is our tribute to California wine history; its fruit was sourced from premier vineyards, all located in the state's oldest and most revered wine regions and some of which are over 100 years old.

VINEYARDS

This wine comes from select vineyards in four top growing regions: Amador County (56%), El Dorado County (25%), Lake County (18%), and Napa County (1%).

WINEGROWING

Our winemakers believe that 2023 was one of the best vintages in recent memory. The year was cool and consistent, ending with warm spells in September. These perfect conditions allow for longer hang time, which results in more fruit intensity and concentration of flavors. Sustainable farming practices throughout the growing season were tailored to each block with the assistance of aerial photos produced using NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index) technology. Harvest was long, with ideal conditions allowing us to pick each block at its optimal ripeness and at night to preserve its natural acidity.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were carefully destemmed and optically sorted to ensure only perfect fruit made it into the wine. A cold soak extracted color and flavor before primary fermentation began in tank. The wine was gently basket-pressed and then racked to oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and aging.

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of cherry jam and blackberry, underscored by notes of nutmeg. The dark berry notes continue to the palate, leading to a rich body with soft tannins and a lovely acidity, ending with a lingering finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Our favorite pairings* for this wine include Lamb kebabs, Soy and Black Garlic Short Ribs, and Chili. **Recipes for pairing may be found on Rombauer.com/recipes.*

RELEASE DATE	October 2025
APPELLATION	California
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	91% Zinfandel 9% Petite Sirah
HARVESTED	Sept. 25th-Oct.30th, 2023
AVG BRIX AT HARVEST	27.2
COOPERAGE	14 months in American (10% new) and French oak
ALCOHOL	15.9%



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