



WINE DATA

Producer

Ironstone Vineyards

Region

Lodi, California

Country

United States

Wine Composition

100% Rous
Zinfandel

Alcohol

14.5%

Total Acidity

6.1 G/L

Residual Sugar

3.2 G/L

pH

3.74

DESCRIPTION

The reserve 2019 Ancient Vine Zinfandel's characteristics are unforgettable. Multi-dimensional in aromas and flavors, this generously rich Zinfandel offers plush aromas and flavors of ripe blackberries, brown spices, clove, caramel, and slight vanilla, finishing with well-rounded tannins and a lingering dark fruit finish.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Rous Vineyard, grafted entirely onto St. George rootstock, was planted in 1909, making this vintage being from spectacular 110-year-old vines! These magnificent, twisted, gnarly, head-trained Zinfandel vines yield fruit with incredible concentration of flavors. The soil is a mixture of very sandy and sandy loam. The grapes are hand-harvested. 2019 was a mild and normal summer in Lodi without harvest precipitation. There were no extended heat spells.

Fully mature grapes were harvested in early September 2019. This reserve wine was aged for 10 months in small French oak barrels. Aging takes place in the winery's underground caverns that were hand-blasted by local miners, many whose families came for gold in the 1800s.

SERVING HINTS

Great on its own, and also pairs exceptionally well with heartier foods like roasts, big, juicy steaks, and game stews.