

# 90pts - Wine Spectator

A briar patch of a wine, with zesty wild berry, underbrush and licorice flavors that finish with medium-grained tannins. Drink now through 2030. -Tim Fish, August 2022

#### 2019 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

### 92pts - Wine Spectator

Packing in a lot of structure and personality, this Zin delivers vibrant black cherry, smoky garrigue and green peppercorn flavors that build toward broad-shouldered tannins. Drink now through 2029. -Tim Fish, June 2021

#### 2018 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

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Plump and zesty, with lively raspberry and smoked pepper flavors that speed toward lively tannins. Drink now through 2024. -Tim Fish, February 2020

### **2017 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL**

## 93pts - Wine Spectator

Old-school meets new in this Zinfandel, with just enough polish and plumpness to match the briary rusticity. Offers expressive black cherry, smoky anise and white pepper flavors. Drink now through 2024. -Tim Fish, April 2019

#### 2017 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

### 91pts - Robert Parker

Coming mostly from Sonoma, the 2017 Zinfandel Old Vine is medium ruby in color and opens with fantastic aromas of mixed berry preserves with spiced peaches and cranberry, potpourri, dried hollyhock, rooibos tea and oodles of exotic spices. Medium-bodied, it offers intense tricolored flavor layers with grainy tannins and juicy freshness, finishing long on a peachy note. A perfumed, restrained and delicious style. -Erin Brooks, December 2019

#### 2016 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

### 91pts - Wine Spectator

Fun to drink, with expressive raspberry and violet aromas and zesty, vibrant cherry, toasted cinnamon and spice flavors that finish on a lively note. Drink now through 2021.

. -Tim Fish, April 2018



# 93pts - Wine Spectator

Rich and supple, this is an explosion of pure, decadent fruit. Floral huckleberry and Chinese five-spice powder aromas open to layered blackberry, dark chocolate and licorice flavors that linger. Drink now through 2026. -Tim Fish, June 2017

# 2015 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 90pts - Robert Parker

The reds start with the 2015 Zinfandel Old Vine, which comes from many different old-vine vineyards largely based around three farms in Sonoma planted in 1888, 1896 and 1905. In addition, there is a kitchen-sink blend of other old-vine sites as well. Peterson guesses that the average age of the material in the blend is at least 80 years. The bend is 90% Zinfandel and the rest Petite Sirah, Alicante Bouschet, Grenache, Carignan, Mataro and a few other eccentric black varieties. This delicious wine shows terrific fruit, loads of steak tartare, ground pepper, black raspberry and blackberry fruits, licorice, creosote and an Amarone-like character. It is dense, full-bodied, vibrant and energized. Drink it over the next 5-6 years if you can wait that long. -Robert Parker, October 2016

## 2014 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 91pts - Wine Spectator

Plush and jammy, but well-focused, with gobs of fruit and flavors of wild berry, licorice and smoky pepper. Drink now through 2026. -Tim Fish, March 2016

### 2014 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 91pts - Vinous

The 2014 Old Vine Zinfandel is deep, rich and luscious, with plenty of up-front fruit and tons of appeal. More of a field blend than a true Zinfandel, the 2014 is soft and forward, with expressive red-fleshed fruit, bright acidity and terrific overall balance. The Old Vine is 77% Zinfandel and a generous 23% mixed blacks. Best of all, the Old Vine Zinfandel is a fabulous value. -Antonio Galloni, January 2016

### 2014 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL 90pts - Robert Parker

The 2014 Zinfandel Old Vines is what Morgan Twain-Peterson calls "the gateway drug to Bedrock." It is a cross-AVA blend of lots culled from his other wines and blended. The 2014 is largely Zinfandel, but with some obscure mixed black varietals thrown in for added complexity. It is an outstanding, full-throttle wine with a Mediterranean personality, with loads of Provençal herbs, briary black raspberry and black cherry fruits, dusty loaminess, a lush, full-bodied mouthfeel and dark ruby/purple-tinged color. Drink it over the next 3-4 years. -Robert Parker, October 2015



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The 2013 Zinfandel Old Vine, which includes a dollop of Carignane, comes from vines averaging 80 years of age. This Rhône Ranger-styled effort displays notes of raspberries, black cherries, forest, earth, pepper and spice. Full-bodied, heady, seductive and lush, it can be enjoyed over the next 5-6 years. -Robert Parker, December 2014

#### **2013 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL**

### 91pts - Wine Spectator

A zesty red, with briary cherry and sage aromas that lead to lively and layered flavors of wild berry, anise and smoky cracked pepper. Drink now through 2021.

-Tim Fish, April 2015

#### 2013 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

#### 90pts - Vinous

The 2013 Old Vine Zinfandel is once again fabulous and one of the very best wines readers will find in its price range. Rich, powerful and explosive, the 2013 hits the palate with an array of dark red stone fruits, tobacco, menthol and licorice. The Old Vine Zinfandel comes from a smattering of sites, most of them in Sonoma Valley, Alexander Valley and the Russian River Valley. As always, the Old Vine is really best described as a mixed-blacks, as other grapes - both red and white - comprise about 23% of the blend.

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# 2012 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

# 91pts - Wine Spectator

Expressive aromas of licorice, dark chocolate and plum lead to youthful, zesty flavors of blueberry, olive and cracked pepper. Finishes with appealingly briary tannins. Drink now through 2019. -Tim Fish, June 2014

#### 2012 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

# 90pts - Vinous

Vivid ruby. Pungent, high-pitched aromas of cherry skin, raspberry, licorice and lavender, with a bright mineral topnote. Juicy and incisive, with sappy dark berry and bitter cherry flavors. Supple tannins add grip to the spicy, floral finish. -Stephen Tanzer, May 2014

Dark red cherry, plum, spices, licorice and menthol flesh out in the 2012 Zinfandel Sonoma Valley Old Vine. Plump and juicy to the core, the Old Vine offers tons of near and medium-term appeal. Hints of tobacco, dried herbs and black cherry linger on the close. This is a stunning wine for the money. The Old Vine is a blend of 40% Bedrock, along with fruit from Casa Santinamaria, Monte Rosso, Stellwagen, Los Chamizal and Scatena, aged mostly in neutral oak. -Antonio Galloni, June 2014



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Deep ruby. A highly aromatic nose displays ripe cherry, lavender and spicecake scents complicated by notes of cocoa powder and anise. Deeply pitched bitter cherry and dark chocolate flavors gain liveliness and sweetness with air, picking up blackberry preserve and licorice qualities. Impressively concentrated but energetic, with a sweet, seamless and persistent finish. -Stephen Tanzer, May 2013

#### **2011 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL**

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Young and still a tad angular, showing an underlying sense of elegance and focus, with plenty of black cherry, toasted cinnamon and spice aromas and flavors. Best from 2014 through 2019. -Tim Fish, February 2013

#### 2010 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

## 92pts - Wine Spectator

This dense, brooding red delivers licorice and Asian spice aromas, mixed with blackberry accents, and concentrated, layered flavors of huckleberry, dried sage and pepper. Best from 2013 through 2017. -Tim Fish, April 2012

#### 2010 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

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### 91pts - Stephen Tanzer

Bright purple. Fresh red berries, cracked pepper and allspice on the highly fragrant nose. Bright and precise on the palate, offering intense raspberry and mulberry flavors and touch of orange pith. This impressively lively, focused zinfandel shows strong finishing thrust and lingering spiciness--not to mention a vibrancy that's increasingly hard to find for this variety. All of this vintage's Stellwagen fruit went into this bottling. -Stephen Tanzer, May 2012