



2013 *OLD SCHOOL* ZINFANDEL
DRY CREEK VALLEY

Jamie's (Peterson) Vintaged View

Old School is sometimes described as our “Easy Drinking, No Thinking” Zin, but don't let that make you think it's any less serious of a wine than our other bottlings.

Blended primarily from vineyards in the Northern Dry Creek Valley, Old School has a style that is full of flavor and character but not over the top. We want a wine that is refreshing and “highly drinkable” and satisfying; the type of Zin you can either open on a weeknight or take to a party without hesitation. As a bonus to an already great wine, each year our designer Chris Blum comes up with a new image and accompanying story to entertain and amuse, starting on the front and finishing on the back label.

Technical Data

| <u>Varietal</u> | <u>Vineyard</u> | <u>Harvest Dates</u> |
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| 85% Zinfandel | 39% Borkow Vineyard | 9/11 |
| | 30% West Vineyard | 10/2 |
| | 16% Bradford Mtn. Vynd | 10/16 |
| 9% Petite Sirah | Clendenen Vineyard | 9/13 |
| 6% Carignane | Forchini Vineyard | 9/3, 9/10 |
| Appellation: | Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County | |
| Alcohol: | 13.9% | |
| pH: | 3.65 | |
| TA: | 0.59g/100ml | |
| Barrel Aging: | 20 months | |
| Cooperage: | 9% new American oak barrels 6% 2 year-old French oak barrels 85% 4-10 year-old neutral 60-gallon oak barrels | |
| Bottling Date: | May 13, 2015 (unfined & unfiltered) | |
| Production: | 750 cases - 750ml 50 cases - 3L bag in box | |
| Release Date: | October 2015 | |



Tasting Notes

Robust dark-toned aromatics—briary berry, plum, spices and oak—fill the senses and lead into this easy-sipping wine. The entry reveals a bright core of blackberry, dark cherry and hints of blueberry. Mid-palate toasty oak, subtle black pepper and earth notes appear, merging with the bright fruit as the flavors linger.

This slightly chewy Zinfandel will be a great partner for pizza, pasta or a juicy bison burger. It can also bring out the best in a grilled tri-tip served with sautéed mushrooms and onions.