

ST. FRANCIS WINERY & VINEYARDS

2005 OLD VINES ZINFANDEL *Wild Oak* SONOMA COUNTY

HARVEST September–October 2005

AGING Fourteen Months

STORAGE American Oak

pH 3.50 **TA** 0.60g/100 mls

BOTTLING June 2007

ALCOHOL 15.5% by volume

AGING POTENTIAL 5 to 8 years

CASES PRODUCED 1700 cases

Wild Oak, the site of our Winery in Sonoma Valley, was named to honor Sonoma's Heritage Oak trees. Wild Oak wines by St. Francis are created from grapes that have been hand-picked from small lots of elite terroir bordered by these Heritage oaks through out Sonoma County. This Zinfandel, also known as California's Heritage grape, is a classic Sonoma County Old Vines Zinfandel. Roughly one 1/3 of the grapes are from our own Nuns Canyon Vineyard, located high above Sonoma Valley along a rich volcanic ridge, providing the tannin backbone along with mountain concentration of color and flavors. Another component of this old vine Zin blend is from the Russian River Valley's Bacchi Vineyard imparting a wild berry flavor and a slight note of Eucalyptus from the adjoining property. The remaining portion is from old vine Zin grapes grown on Zichichi Family Vineyard of Dry Creek Valley, contributing typical black cherry flavors of the dry farmed Zins of that area. And finally a small amount of Syrah from our home vineyard Wild Oak is added contributing a flavorful counterpoint of earthiness to the final blend.



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