



# *Girard*

2009 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL

NAPA VALLEY

## TERROIR

The vineyard sources for our 2009 Old Vine Zinfandel are: Blue Ridge and Morgan Vineyards on Mt. Vaca; Godward Vineyard in Calistoga. Mt. Vaca is the highest peak of the Vaca range, which forms the Eastern border of the Napa Valley. Many of our Zinfandel vines are over a century old. The fruit concentration from these mountain vineyards and the century-old valley floor vineyards ensure our Old Vine Zinfandel has rich flavor extraction, a fruit-forward palate and wonderful layers of complexity from multiple soil types.

## VINTAGE

Our 2009 vintage of Old Vine Zinfandel is a lush, fruit-forward, medium-bodied wine with well-integrated tannins and balanced acidity. The aroma/flavor profile includes: black cherry, blackberry, pipe tobacco, cinnamon and allspice. Total cases produced: 3,020.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-sorted and crushed to stainless steel fermentors. Pumpovers were done as gently as possible to avoid undesirable harsh tannin extraction. Pressed at dryness to 85% French and 15% American oak with a composition of 40% new oak for both barrel types.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Zinfandel

GROWING REGION Napa Valley | PRODUCTION 3020 cases (12/750ml)

ALCOHOL 14.7% | pH 3.57 | TA 0.67 g/100ml