

TIZONA

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2015 Old Vine Zinfandel

Süess Vineyard



APPELLATION:	Clements Hills-Lodi
VINEYARD:	Süess Vineyard
COMPOSITION:	99% Old Vine Zinfandel, 1% Petite Verdot
AGING:	18 months in neutral & new French Oak, 8 months bottle aged
TECH:	Alc: 15.6%
SOIL TYPE:	Tokay Fine Sandy Loam
AGE OF VINES:	105 years
HARVESTED:	August 24, 2015
BOTTLING:	May 25, 2017
PRODUCTION:	168 cases produced
SUGGESTED RETAIL:	\$29 per bottle

TASTING NOTES

This beautifully balanced old vine zinfandel is our first production from the Süess Vineyard. It is deep red in color and entices the nose with fruity mouthwatering aromas of ripe Santa Rosa plums, Chambord Liqueur, nutmeg, cardamom and hints of sage. Flavors of jammy forest fruit, mango and meaty bacon balance the natural acidity with black pepper spicy notes and a touch of cedar. This wine has a long finish with medium tannins and a trace of new oak. It will continue to age beautifully and it's great acid will keep it fresh on the palate. Liz recommends paring this with Parisian style steak and "frites" with a black peppercorn white wine sauce.

VINEYARD DESIGNATION

This wine was produced from the dry farmed, own rooted Süess Vineyard located in the Clements Hills appellation of Lodi. Planted in the early 1900's, the exact year is unknown, the Süess Vineyard is stately and exemplifies the essence of "old vine" vineyards of California. In 2014, the Süess family entrusted us to lovingly restore this vineyard after many years of neglect. The beauty of farming a vineyard that is over twice the age of you is a humbling experience because at that point it is the vineyard that tells you what it needs and not the other way around. And, to take it a step further, the opportunity to make wine from the fruit of this beautiful vineyard completes the circle.

OLD VINE ZINFANDEL FACTS & HISTORY

Old Vine Zinfandel vineyards are a treasure, and Lodi holds one of the biggest gems. Lodi has a long history of producing Zinfandel. Some of the vineyards date back to the 1880's. Luckily, the Lodi area was able to survive prohibition by packing the fresh grapes and shipping them east for home winemakers. Old Vine Zinfandel vineyards are highly sought after due to their distinctive characteristics, low yields and flavor intensity. One thing is for certain, the vineyard itself has proved it ages

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