



2012 HOME RANCH ZINFANDEL

In 1893, newlyweds Edoardo and Angela Seghesio purchased their first home in Alexander Valley. As winemaker for the most prominent winery in Sonoma County, Edoardo recognized great vineyard potential surrounding the modest home. In 1895, he planted the Home Ranch vineyard and began the Seghesio tradition of Sharing Uncommon Ground.



VINEYARDS

Estate, head-pruned vineyard in Alexander Valley

VINTAGE

2012 brought a long and moderate growing season without any major weather incidents on the heels of two very cool vintages.

VINEYARD REGIME

Our crews walk this venerable vineyard with willow switches, tipping the canes to drive lateral growth into the vine's crown to provide shade when the canes droop late in the season. A green harvest and a post-suckering veraison thin are performed. Just prior to harvest, a touch-up pass ensures a harvest of evenly ripened fruit.

FERMENTATION REGIME

100% small lot, punch-down fermentation; 8- to 12-day maceration

FOOD AFFINITIES

Beef, game, red sauces, spicy cuisine and — one of our favorites — mascarpone cheese

TASTING NOTES

Blackberry, raspberry and other brambly fruit characteristic of Alexander Valley

“Graham crust” undertones typical of the Home Ranch terroir

Subtle hints of oak, briary acidity and soft, ripe fruit tannins

HAND-HARVESTED

Zinfandel: Sept. 24 - Oct. 12, 2012

Petite Sirah: Oct. 12 - Oct. 17, 2012

AVERAGE BRIX AT HARVEST

26.0°

BARREL REGIME

Barrel aged 14 months in 75% French oak and 25% American oak; 20% new barrels

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

91% Zinfandel, 9% Petite Sirah

ALCOHOL

14.8%

RELEASE DATE

May 2014

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