

SINCE 1895
SEGHEGIO
Family Vineyards

2016 HOME RANCH
ZINFANDEL
ALEXANDER VALLEY

With the core made from founder Edoardo Seghesio's original planting in 1895, this wine is 120 years in the making. Home Ranch Zinfandel consistently receives high praise from the critics, allowing it to transcend the category into a world class wine that just happens to be made from Zinfandel.

VINEYARDS

Long, warm days aided by the absence of marine influence marks this site in Alexander Valley. The soils are composed of clay and clay loam with underlying layers of basalt, sandstone and volcanic rock. Vines are challenged by the low nutrient level of the clay and the shallow topsoil, both of which force the vines to produce more concentrated fruit.

VINTAGE

2016 harvest began early and went by quickly. Although the summer was generally mild, spring's dry warm weather accelerated vine development, ultimately producing smaller berries and concentrated flavors. Sustained warm weather coupled with depleted water reserves culminated with a furiously paced compact harvest that was completed before the end of September, producing a vintage of exceptional quality.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand harvested and sorted as clusters and berries before being gently transferred to small, open-top fermenters. The grapes were inoculated with yeast selected from the same vineyard. The fermentations were conducted utilizing punch-down cap maceration for an average of 9 days before being drained to barrel to complete malolactic fermentation.



SIP & SAVOR

Aromas of juicy blackberry, fresh black plum, hints of baking spices and graham cracker crust lead to a mid-palate of rich ripe fruit and fine dusty tannins, with integrated oak and layers of complexity. This wine pairs deliciously with gnocchi gorgonzola, barbeque ribs, and blue cheese.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	92% Zinfandel, 8% Petite Sirah
HARVEST	September 7, 2016
AGING	14 months in 20% new French oak, 25% concrete tanks, and neutral French and American oak barrels
ALCOHOL	15.7%
PRODUCTION	2,408 cases
RELEASE DATE	September 2018
PEAK ENJOYMENT	3-5 years
PRICE	\$60

