

2007 OLD VINE ZINFANDEL STEVE BORRA'S GILL CREEK VINEYARD ESTATE BOTTLED

Zinfandel, Lodi's best-known varietal, is grown at our Gill Creek Ranch overlooking the Mokelumne River. This Zinfandel vineyard was planted more than forty years ago, and it benefits from Lodi's specific terroir so famed for the cultivation of Zinfandel. This is a wine that comes from the heart of our vineyard, and the heart of our family's dedication to our roots in Lodi.

Steve Borra is a time-honored, traditional Italian winegrape-grower, using modern-day advances to nuture his vines. Each vineyard block is harvested only when perfectly ripe, with lots vinified separately, leveraging the latest in highend winemaking techniques.

Tasting Notes

Our Zinfandel delivers exactly what Lodi's renowned old vines are famous for: complex decadent fruit. Swirling scents of smoky-oaked bacon, beef, jammy cherries and a drop of orange essence waft from the glass, becoming an exciting velvet carousel of mulled wine spices over cherries, rum raisins, red apple skin and a pinch of pepper with a pleasant long off-dry finish of roasted mocha chip. Drop everything and reach for some barbecued spareribs, because you won't find a better pairing.

Statistics

Appellation: Clements Hills, Lodi (planted in 1968)

Blend: 100% Zinfandel Harvested: September 2007

Winemaking: Free-run juice only, 30% new French oak

Bottled: August 21, 2009

Alcohol: 14.8% pH: 3.60

TA: 0.61 gm/100mL

Cases Produced: 130