

2006 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: huge, almost decadent fruit. Smoky-clove-cinnamon-spiced, jammy cherries with a dash of black pepper waft from the glass. Imbibe for mouth-filling, creamy cherries and pomegranates with molasses, smoky toasted oak, walnut and a long finish of sweet black currants and spicy anise. Drop everything and reach for some barbecued spareribs, because you won't find a better pairing.

Statistics

Blend: 97% Zinfandel, 3% Syrah

Harvested: October 6, 2006

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

Bottled: July 11, 2008

Alcohol: 15.1%

pH: 3.94

TA: 0.50 gm/100 mL

Cases Produced: 246