



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.59

TA: 6.0 g/L

AGING: 16 months in 56% new French oak

HARVEST DATE: October 13, 2023



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

Zinfandel

FANUCCHI-WOOD ROAD VINEYARD

OLIVET BENCH

SONOMA COUNTY

VINTAGE 2023

IN THE VINEYARD

The Fanucchi-Wood Road Vineyard is a seven-acre vineyard located in the cool Russian River Valley appellation of Sonoma County. Organically grown and dry-farmed, the Vineyard is primarily planted to Zinfandel on Goldridge Loam soil. Under the care of the Fanucchi family for the past 31 years, the head trained vines have been raised allowing for greater sun exposure and air circulation, reinvigorating the old vines. The results are small berries with bright and concentrate fruit flavors creating an intense wine.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The grapes were hand-harvested on October 13, 2023 and fermented in open-top vats, with twice-daily hand punchdowns to enhance extraction and complexity. Following fermentation, the wine was basket pressed and aged for 16 months in French oak barrels, 56% of which were new, lending depth, structure, and refined oak integration.

TASTING NOTES

The 2023 Fanucchi-Wood Road Vineyard Zinfandel opens with powerful aromas of dark cherry, crushed raspberry, and hints of savory earth, creating an inviting sense of depth and intensity. The palate is lavish and richly layered, showcasing concentrated flavors of ripe plum and blackberry accented by notes of cocoa, sweet vanilla, and subtle spice. Silky, well-rounded tannins provide a supple texture and seamless structure, while vibrant acidity brings freshness and lift. The wine concludes with a long, mouthcoating finish that lingers gracefully with richness and balance.