



## 2023 ZINFANDEL



### Vintage Notes

First planted our our estate in the 1870s, this heritage grape is what put The Terraces on the map. The 2023 Zinfandel features aromatics of vanilla, black cherry, mission fig, and uniquely distinct baking spices, especially cloves. The elegant palate is complex with ripe flavors of blueberry, black currant, black cherry, and baked plum. The finish carries through with hints of nutmeg, cinnamon, black pepper, and juniper with a long, bright finish.

### Vineyard

The majority of the fruit comes from Quarry Vineyard, a rugged hillside site defined by volcanic soils and excellent drainage, where elevation, exposure, and low-vigor soils naturally limit yields and concentrate flavor. Fruit from this vineyard consistently delivers depth, balance, and a strong sense of place.

### Winemaking

Hand picked and carefully sorted before being de-stemmed, each lot was transferred to small tanks as whole berries. Following an extended cold soak, fermentation was carried out using a combination of wild & cultivated yeasts. Throughout fermentation, a mix of punch downs, pump overs, and rack & returns were performed several times daily to influence extraction. After gentle pressing in a state-of-the-art EuroPress, the wines were moved to 35% new French and American barrels to complete malolactic fermentation. Under careful tending, the wine was blended and bottled after 20 months.

### The Terraces

Nestled in the foothills of the Napa Valley, on a historic Rutherford wine estate, you'll find The Terraces—a family winery, orchard, and acetaia. For over 140 years, the property has been dedicated to cultivating high-quality wine grapes. The Terraces label, now more than 35 years old, proudly carries on the winemaking tradition established on the estate back in 1881.

With a legacy rooted in dedication, we strive to create epic wines that capture a sense of place and time. We use our experience and our craft to make each wine singular and something that we are proud of, while speaking to the vintage, to the grape, and to us.

- Blend: 94% Zinfandel, 6% Petite Sirah
- Harvest Date: October 10, 2023
- Brix at Harvest: 27
- TA: 6.11g/L
- pH: 3.58
- Alcohol: 14.4%
- Cases Produced: 760