



# Seghesio

Old Vine Zinfandel is a bold and complex wine, crafted from vines averaging 75 years old, delivering briary fruit, spice, and an intense, velvety structure.

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## Old Vines Zinfandel 2021

California, USA

### Region and Vineyards

Old Vine Zinfandel 2021 is sourced from **exceptional vineyards across Sonoma County**, including sites in the **Dry Creek and Alexander Valleys**. The vines used for this wine average **75 years old**, qualifying under Seghesio's definition of "Old Vine," which specifies a minimum of 50 years. These mature vines yield lower quantities of fruit but offer exceptional intensity and complexity.

The 2021 growing season featured limited water supply due to irrigation restrictions, but moderate weather allowed grapes to ripen slowly, preserving acidity and enhancing flavor concentration. This vintage is noted for its vibrant character and balance, reflecting the resilience of the old vines and Seghesio's commitment to sustainable viticulture.

### Winemaking

The grapes for Old Vine Zinfandel 2021 were **hand-harvested and meticulously sorted** to ensure optimal ripeness. After light crushing, fermentation took place in **small open-top stainless steel tanks** with gentle **pneumatic punchdowns** to extract color and flavor while preserving freshness.

The wine was aged for **15 months** in oak barrels, including **13% new French oak** and **87% neutral French and American oak**, allowing the wine's rich fruit and savory complexity to integrate seamlessly. The blending process includes **87% Zinfandel**, **10% Petite Sirah**, **2% Carignane**, and **1% Alicante Bouschet**, adding depth and structure.

### Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep garnet red.
- **Aroma:** Black plum, fig, and baking spices with hints of mocha.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied and layered, featuring flavors of candied figs, baking spices, and chocolate. The mid-palate offers savory notes and silky tannins, leading to a velvety, long-lasting finish with robust structure.

Alcohol :15,00 %

Composition: 87% Zinfandel, 10%  
Petite Syrah, 2% Cariñena, 1%  
Alicante Bouschet



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### Did you know?

Seghesio's Old Vine Zinfandel honors Sonoma County's **historic Zinfandel vineyards**, many of which have been cultivated by the same families for generations. The wine is a reflection of Seghesio's deep connection to these legacy vineyards and their commitment to preserving old-vine traditions.

### Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Beef Braciole:** The wine's rich fruit and spice complement the savory flavors of this classic Italian dish.
- **Mushroom sugo with pappardelle:** The earthy tones of the mushrooms enhance the wine's complexity and depth.
- **Cherry balsamic pork tenderloin:** The wine's candied fruit and velvety tannins pair beautifully with the sweet and tangy glaze.
- **Aged Gouda:** The nutty, caramel notes of Gouda balance the wine's bold structure and fruit-forward character.



#### Wine Spectator (WS) : 94 Points (2021)

*That rare Zinfandel with finesse and briary fruit, offering wild berry, mocha and black licorice flavors that gather richness and zest toward lively tannins.*



#### Jeb Dunnuck (JD) : 91 Points (2021)

*The 2021 Zinfandel Old Vine offers up loads of scorched earth, cedar and plum, and on the palate, it reveals a bit of mixed berry fruit, with pressed red flowers and dusty earth. Juicy and inviting, with ripe tannins, this has a lot of immediate charm to drink over the next few years.*



#### Decanter (DCT) : 93 Points (2018)

*Expressive red fruit, toasted cumin and spice nose. Riper palate with gamey flavours and fruit continuing on the finish. A fine wine. Blend : 87% Zinfandel, 9% Petite Sirah, 4% Alicante Bouschet*

