



SADDLEBACK CELLARS

NAPA VALLEY

Appellation:	Calistoga, Napa Valley
Varietal:	85% Zinfandel 15% Petit Sirah
Cooperage:	17 mos. In 85% new American oak
Alcohol:	14.8%
Harvested:	October 1, 2017
Bottled:	April 18, 2019
Released:	July 27, 2019
Cases Produced:	443

Now releasing our 25th vintage with grapes primarily sourced from the Frediani Vineyard, Saddleback is happy to list once again: Old Vine Zinfandel. Challenges in 2017 included a lower yield, so the addition of 15% Petit Sirah is new in this vintage, adding even more depth of flavor. The quality of the fruit comes from the mature, deeper roots accessing underground aquifers in the dry-farmed, hot weather district of Calistoga. Old Vines ripen earlier, so there is less chance of scorch due to excessive heat or mildew from fall rains.

Tech Details:

- Average sugar: 26 Brix
- Total acidity: 6 g/L
- pH: 3.83
- RS 0.2%

CHARACTERISTICS: As an expression of the Zin varietal, on the nose find aromas of black cherry, violets, cedar and cracked black pepper. On the palate, the full body gives way to blackberry compote, dark chocolate, caraway, pecan, with a black and white pepper finish.

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