



## History

Sourced from the historic Garzini Ranch, first planted with grapes in 1921, Husch's Old Vine Heritage gets back to the roots of California wine. As most of California's early wines, our Old Vine Heritage is a blend of multiple varieties from one vineyard (Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, and Carignane). Such blends are intriguingly complex, and California originals.

## Winemaking

2013 is our second release of Old Vine Heritage. The blend is comprised of 52% Petite Sirah (for tannin, color, and structure), 38% Zinfandel (for spice and complexity) and 10% Carignane (for bright jammy fruit). The resulting wine is a kinship from one generation to the next blending historic vines with modern-day winemaking. Truly a wine to be cherished.

## Tasting Notes

The 2013 Old Vine Heritage has the opacity of squid ink, and is distinguished with a complex personality. Concentrated aromas of blackberry, raspberry, violets, forest floor, and candied licorice root waft out of the glass. On the palate this wine is big and bright, with flavors of ripe dark fruits, mocha, and exotic spice. Consider pairing with lamb shank, smoked brisket, or a patty melt. A great wine in its youth, and structured for aging.

**Appellation:** Mendocino

**Fermentation:**  $\frac{3}{4}$  ton open top fermenters

**Maturation:** 9 months in barrels, 23% new oak

**Alcohol:** 14.6%

**Cases produced:** 509

**Sugar at harvest:** 23.5-26.9° Brix

**Harvest dates:** September 28-October 7

**Total acid:** 6.5 g/L

**pH:** 3.6

**Cellaring:** 7-10 years with careful aging