

We respect the land where our vineyards grow - our family's connection to nature gives our wine its foundation and individuality. Distinct soil and climate coupled with responsible farming practices highlight the character of each vintage from our generational farm in Lodi, California.

GROWING SEASON

To reflect on the 2020 growing season, we must look to the end of 2019. Our rain-season began with a good steady pace in late November and continued through early January, but Mother Nature turned off her spigot and we only had a couple good storms in March and April. As spring arrived, the vines awoke on-time, but the temperatures were erratic, resulting in shatter and poor berry set for many varietals. After a short heat spike in late May, summer temperatures were normal, and we had healthy vine canopies. In mid-August, lasting through September, high-elevation smoke from the wildfires was present off-and-on which likely moderated the forecasted high temperatures. In the end, most sensitive white varietals were harvested before the smoke arrived showing great quality aromatics and flavors, and the poor fruit set in many of our red varietals during the Spring gave us amazing concentration of flavor and aroma in the finished wines.

VINEYARD NOTES

Our Thirty Eight vineyard is located less than a mile from our winery and was one of the first Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards planted by the twins in the late 70's. As one of our oldest vineyards, the yields are low, producing intense fruit flavors.

WINEMAKER NOTES

2020 was a year defined by adversity, and in the vineyard that trend was mirrored. A late budbreak, record breaking heat waves, regional wildfires, and fall thunderstorms defined the vintage year, though from these hardships, lower yield crops of truly remarkable quality were produced. Our latest vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon is exemplary with balanced structure and vibrant flavor. Showcasing alluring aromas of plum sauce, star anise, and mission fig, our iconic Thirty Eight Vineyard delivers another smooth, enjoyable experience for any wine lover. The palate is accented with savory dried herbs and understated oak tones that create a creamy texture with fine grained tannins that slowly build through to the finish.

WINE STATISTICS

SOIL COMPOSITION

Thick Surface Loam and Loam. Derivation Granite Rock.

VINEYARD PHILOSOPHY

Certified Sustainable

TRELLISING

California Sprawl

LOCATION

38°11'30.3"N, 121°17'49.7"W

CASES PRODUCED

1285 | 6 Pack

AGING

French Oak; 19 Months

HARVEST DATE

September 12, 2020

CLONE

07 & 08

BOTTLE DATE April 20, 2023

TA PH

6.2 g/L3.69 **BRIX** 24.8° **ACRES**

48.52

14.5%

RS $0.6 \, g/L$



SOIL

SAN JOAQUIN LOAM THICK SURFACE 70%

- Moderately deep to hardpan
- Dissected by past filled intermittent sloughs
- Formed in alluvium
- Derived from granite rock
- 20-110 ft above sea level
- Moderately well drained
- · Permeability is slow
- Moderate available water capacity
- Runoff ponded in small vermal pools

JAHANT LOAM 30%

- Nearly level soil
- Found on low terraces
- Formed in alluvium
- Derived from mixed rock sources
- 20-100 ft above sea level
- Moderately well drained

TRELLISING

CALIFORNIA SPRAWL

- Single fruit zone with bilateral cordon training
- One cordon wire and one foliage support wire
- Sprawling vine growth without rigorous shoot positioning

CLONE

07 & 08

- Chosen based on variety, site, climate, soil, vineyard design, cultural practices, and desired wine quality
- Originated at Concannon Vineyard in Livermore, CA
- Gives high yields of very good wine quality

ROOTSTOCK

FREEDOM

- Chosen based on resistance to soil pests, soil's texture, chemistry, depth, fertility, water availability, irrigation practice, vineyard design, and variety chosen.
- High vigor
- Medium drought tolerance
- Sensitive to latent viruses



"This was the first Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard we planted and it was part of the leading edge of planting (in those days) the fighting varietals. It was standard practice for Brad and me to make decisions like this. We always looked forward to the future and we were making decisions that other farmers weren't making at the time - varietals, rootstocks, trellising, and harvesting by machine."

- RANDALL LANGE