



#### TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION:  
Sonoma County

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.45

TA: 6.3 g/L

AGING: 43% new French oak

MONTHS IN BARREL: 20



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*Zinfandel*

**FORGOTTEN VINES**

SONOMA COUNTY

VINTAGE 2020

#### IN THE VINEYARD

In honor of the many old Zinfandel vineyards that were overlooked for decades in Sonoma County due to prohibition, our Forgiven Vines blend is comprised of several exemplary mature vineyards. These heritage vineyards were first planted in the late 1800s and early 1900s in the warmer reaches of the region. Planted as field blends, Zinfandel is the primary varietal planted, but not the only varietal. Petite Sirah, Carignane, Alicante Bouchet and even some native vines can also be found in some of the vineyards. The vineyards, primarily Saitone, Boshcetti and Battaligni, are harvested separately and remain separate throughout fermentation and aging until the final Forgiven Vines blend is crafted.

#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Following careful cluster sorting, the must is fermented in open top vats before aging for 20 months. The components are hand selected by our winemaker and blended together for exceptional richness, complexity and old-vine character.

#### TASTING NOTES

This rich, dark wine envelops with ripe cherry and tobacco with a touch of cocoa. Flavors of strawberry jam and plum are layered with notes of cinnamon, nutmeg and toasted almond. This wine is concentrated with daring tannins and a light dust of black pepper on the finish.