

2004

Maple Zin™

Old Vines Zinfandel Maple Vineyard, Dry Creek Valley

Our Maple Zin is comes from the esteemed Maple Vineyard, lovingly farmed by Tom and Tina Maple and planted over the first half of the 1900's. The vines are dry-farmed, head-trained, and self-limiting in crop levels, with judicious additions of complementary varietals in the field blend style.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Deep blackberry fruit and big spice plus black pepper, a touch of

chocolate and cola in the oak contribution.

Richly textured in mouth, good structure for aging, long black fruit finish.

Harvest Date: September 4, 2004 Average Brix at Harvest: 27.9°Brix (soaked)

Average TA/pH at Harvest: 0.66 gm/100ml pH 3.54

Fermentation Characteristics: Déléstaged twice (at 19 and 10°Brix)

Total of 23 days on skins, including 7 days extended maceration

Cellar Storage/Aging: 13 months in barrels--

40% new + 1-year-old American 18% new + 1-year-old French

7% new Hungarian

35% older French/Hung/American

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total Acidity: 0.68 gm/100ml

pH: 3.63 pH

Varietal: 85% Zinfandel, 10% Petite Sirah,

4% Carignane, and remaining 1% is a field-blend of Alicante

Bouschet, Malvasia, Black Muscat, etc)

Appellation : Maple Vineyard, Dry Creek Valley

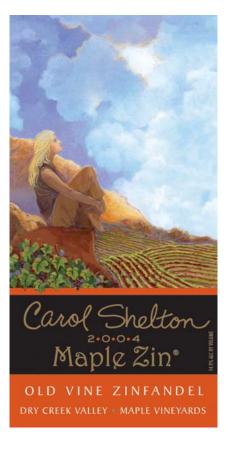
Old Vines (average age = 75 years) All Dry Farmed, Head (goblet) Trained

Case production: 686 cases

Bottling Date: December 20, 2005 Release Date: September 15, 2006

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