

Martha Stoumen

Healdsburg, California

Winemaker: Martha Stoumen

Region: California, USA

Location: Healdsburg, California

Appellation:

**Varietals: Vermentino, Roussanne,
Marsanne, Muscat Blanc, Nero d'Avola,
Zinfandel, Carignan**



Del Barba Vineyard, Ricetti Vineyard
Venturi Vineyard



Hand-harvested and fermented separately. Aged in a combination of stainless steel and neutral oak barrique for 6 months before blending with a small percentage of reserve Carignan from 2021, which aged in neutral oak barrique for 28 months. Unfined. Unfiltered.



Certified Organic



62% Zinfandel and 38% Carignan



Post Flirtation Red

This wine is so joyous, and to me, distinctly Californian. I never knew how much I loved Zinfandel until I started working as Chris Brockway's (Broc Cellars) Assistant Winemaker. When picked before the grape berries begin to shrivel, you get amazing hibiscus, rhubarb, pomegranate, and baking spices from Zin. Like an avocado, the window is small between unripe and overripe for Zin, and I watch our Zinfandel vineyards closely. Carignan, Zin's less celebrated companion, provides a savory component reminiscent of driving through California chaparral, and, like Ricetti's, can be incredibly complex with 70 years of vine age. I'm not reinventing the wheel with this classic old vine Zin/ Carignan blend, just lightening things up a bit.