## RIDGE VINEYARDS

#### TO ORDER

**To secure your reorder quantities**, please visit our website or call us at **408.867.3233**. As always, member discounts apply.

Wine	Retail Price	Member Price 1-11 btls	Case Price 12+ btls
2011 Buchignani Zinfandel	No Reorders Available		
2012 Mazzoni Home Ranch	\$32.00	\$28.80	\$27.20
2014 Buchignani Carignane	\$28.00	\$25.20	\$23.80
2014 Geyserville Essence	\$50.00	\$45.00	\$42.50

UPCOMING EVENTS



MONTE BELLO COLLECTOR FINAL ASSEMBLAGE TASTING\* May 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Monte Bello, Santa Cruz Mountains

ZINS, BLENDS & BBQ June 25<sup>th</sup> Monte Bello, Santa Cruz Mountains

FARM-TO-GRILL July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Lytton Springs, Dry Creek Valley

FALL RELEASE CELEBRATION August 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Monte Bello, Santa Cruz Mountains

FALL RELEASE CELEBRATION September 3<sup>rd</sup> Lytton Springs, Dry Creek Valley

#### HARVEST DINNER IN THE VINEYARD September 24<sup>th</sup> Lytton Springs, Dry Creek Valley

\*open to Monte Bello Collector members only

### For more information visit: www.ridgewine.com/events

#### VISIT OUR WINERIES

Visit our two unique locations: in the heart of Sonoma County's Dry Creek Valley and high on Monte Bello Ridge in California's rugged Santa Cruz Mountains.



Near Healdsburg in the heart of Sonoma's zinfandel country. A sustainable, photo-voltaic powered winery of straw-bale and earth-plaster construction, surrounded by hundred-year-old zinfandel vines.



Above the San Francisco Peninsula at 2300' elevation. An old, historic winery, and vineyards planted to the Bordeaux varietals.

Members receive complimentary tastings at both of our properties and exclusive discounts on seated small-group tastings and events. An RSVP is required. Visit www.ridgewine.com/visit to register.

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# SPRING 2016



78% ZINFANDEL, 22% CARIGNANE 38 BARRELS PRODUCED

**Winemaker's Notes**: This is the companion wine to the carignane from the same old-vine vineyard. The zinfandel is planted primarily in the center, side by side with the carignane. The vines are over seventy-five years old, head pruned, and very lowyielding. Cool spring weather delayed bud break; moderate temperatures extended the ripening season. We picked from September 16 to 21. As in years past, we blended in some old-vine carignane to soften tannins and accentuate fruit. After a natural-yeast fermentation, the wine aged for twelve months in airdried american oak. Delicious now, it will be at its best over the next four to five years. JO (12/12)



58% CARIGNANE, 41% ZINFANDEL, 1% PETITE SIRAH 46 BARRELS PRODUCED

**Winemaker's Notes**: A short, dry winter prompted an early start to the growing season, but brought drought to Northern California. Although unirrigated, these deep-rooted century-old vines ripened a small, flavorful crop. The five parcels fermented separately on native yeasts. Once pressed, and natural malolactic complete, the wines were blindtasted; all five were combined. Sixteen months in air-dried american oak added spice and softened tannins. This sensuous wine shows the complexity of a carignane-dominant fieldblend. Elegant and approachable now, it will be most enjoyable over the next five or six years. EB (1/14)



100% HILLSIDE GROWN, OLD VINE CARIGNANE 46 BARRELS PRODUCED

**Winemaker's Notes**: Warm weather arrived early, and continued through summer. The heat brought our earliest Buchignani harvest to date; we began August 28, and finished September 3. The five blocks fermented separately; after malolactic, we chose Top, Front, and Hillside blocks for their richness and intensity. This old-vine carignane is one of the ripest in recent years. It shows abundant red fruit and firm acidity—hallmarks of the varietal. Enjoyable now, it will be at its best over the next five or six years. JO (8/15)



OPTIONAL SHIPMENT

### RIDGE 2014 GEYSERVILLE<sup>®</sup> ESSENCE

51% ZINFANDEL, 49% PETITE SIRAH 9½ BARRELS PRODUCED

Winemaker's Notes: After seven years, growing conditions at Geyserville were, once again, ideal for producing an essence. The grapes must reach extreme ripeness for fermentation to stop at the point of natural stability that allows the wine to hold its residual sugar. Made from the exact vineyard rows that produced the 2007, this seductive essence can be enjoyed over the next ten to twenty years. EB (10/15)



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