

IL CUORE

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MENDOCINO COUNTY CALIFORNIA

OVERVIEW

Since the first vintage in 1989, IL CUORE wines have been produced from premium grapes grown in the North Coast, the viticultural heart of California. Their emphasis is small vineyard parcels in Mendocino County that accentuate bright fruit character, subtle floral and spice aromas, and the approachable style that has been the signature of IL CUORE wines over the past decade.

IL CUORE means “The Heart” in Italian, the language of romance. The name is derived from the original watercolor featured on all four of our wines and is a fitting tribute to the Italian immigrants who first planted this area to vines in the late nineteenth century. A hallmark of IL CUORE’s style is the gentle use of oak to allow the natural fruit qualities of their grapes to become the focal point of the wines. Their goal is to produce wines of quality and character at a price suitable for daily consumption. Their hope is that IL CUORE wines will be consumed with fine cuisine as part of a healthy and passionate lifestyle!

Varietals:

Chardonnay
Rosso Classico Tuscan Style
Blend
Cabernet Sauvignon
Barbera

Average Production:

10,000 cases

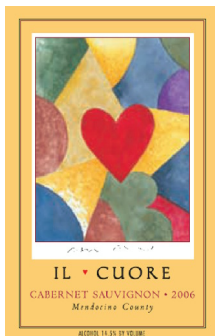
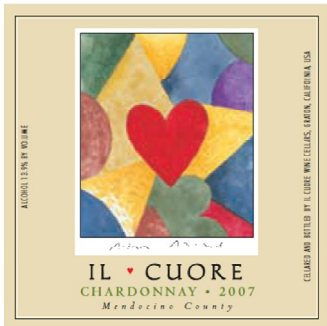
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Chardonnay - is grown in Mendocino County and includes a component of Viognier to enhance floral-citrus aromas and fresh apple-pear flavors. The fresh, bright style results from stainless steel fermentation combined with a very small quantity of barrel fermentation in small French oak cooperage.

Rosso Classico - is their “classic red” Cal-Ital Tuscan style blend. Varietal composition changes with each vintage. The wine is an exuberant expression of ripe cherries, plums and berries produced with premium grapes from Mendocino County.

Cabernet Sauvignon - blended with Merlot for full red fruit flavors. IL CUORE focuses on a style that is approachable and a great VALUE. Cabernet offers sturdy black cherry flavors supported by supple tannins and a hint of cocoa. Merlot brings added structure and deep fruit flavors.

Barbera - the robust dry red wine grown in the fabled Piedmont region of Northern Italy. The vintages are very limited by the grape crop from old vines, that produces a ripe concentrated style, seasoned by barrel aging in sixty-gallon oak cooperage. The Barbera is grown above Redwood Valley in well-drained soils resulting in low yields and concentrated flavors.



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