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Steve Edmunds

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HEART OF GOLD

59% VERMENTINO / 41% GRENACHE BLANC
2008 EL DORADO COUNTY WHITE TABLE WINE

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CALIFORNIA

El Dorado, Mendocino, Napa Valley, San Luis Obispo, Sonoma

OVERVIEW

Berkeley resident Steve Edmunds, in collaboration with diverse grape growers, has fashioned exemplary wines in a Bay Area warehouse for 25 years. Over the years these have included memorably complex Mourvèdre-based blends and age-worthy Syrah-based wines as well as other varietal wines and blends. Steve pioneered winemaking from sources in El Dorado County and San Luis Obispo. Steve's wine imagination caught fire many years ago while visiting southern France. Reflecting on the similarities in landscape and climate with Northern California, he thought: "Why not bring the great grapes of Southern France - Syrah, Mourvèdre, Grenache, Viognier - to fruition in California?" This revolutionary insight eventually inspired other California growers and winemakers—whom he wryly dubbed "Rhone Rangers"—to follow Steve's example. Over time Steve Edmunds ran far out ahead of the pack, leading the way toward new frontiers of flavor. Lately, he has been pursuing even newer frontiers with both Gamay and Vermentino as well as his favorite Rhone-varietals. "Wine speaks to me, sings sometimes, of the place where it grows, the season when it grew, the attentiveness of the grower, the sensibility of the ones who vinified it. And when it is very, very good, it sings as well, I think, of the possibility life can offer us for connection to all that surrounds us, to each other, and to the earth. And of what a measureless gift that is."

Varieties: Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Gamay, Vermentino, Grenache Blanc

Average Production: less than 5,000 cases

WINES

Heart of Gold

A delicious blend of 72% Vermentino, and 28% Grenache Blanc, fresh and floral, on the nose, shows some kiwi and mango fruit-tones, a little musk, and a salty note, as well. Great natural acidity gives the flavors good focus. Really versatile at the table.

Bone Jolly Gamay Rosé

Delicious deep & slightly meaty Gamay with a fire-quenching, salty rosé framework.

Bone Jolly Gamay

Crafted from real Gamay Noir planted—expressly for Steve—in the granite of El Dorado County. America's first Cru Beaujolais!

Rocks and Gravel

This wine—which Steve considers among his most successful ever—reunites the three grapes that made the legend of Edmunds St. John "Côtes Sauvage: Grenache, Mourvèdre & Syrah. Now made in extremely small quantities and released in the fall.

Wylie-Fenaughty Syrah

When Steve set eyes on the newly-planted Wylie vineyard, he said to himself, "I want as much of this fruit as I can get, for as long as I can get it." One taste and you'll see why

ACCOLADES

"Of the group of California's wineries dedicated to producing wines from grapes that have been made famous by France's Rhone Valley, Edmunds St. John may be its finest practitioner."

Robert Parker, *The Wine Advocate*

"... over the last 20 years, he has become an icon of California's alternative wine scene... The wines are intense and vibrant, but seldom heavy. They're tasty alone and they go with food. And, for those appreciative of such things, they also channel the personalities of outstanding vineyards."

Rod Smith, *The Los Angeles Times*