

IL ♥ CUORE®

Barbera ♥ 2006

North Coast

“Outstanding Quality Cal-Ital Style Wines”

This vintage represents our fourth release of **Barbera**, the robust red wine of the fabled Piedmont region of northern Italy. Long known as a rich, dry red wine it has been consumed at Italian tables throughout this region on an everyday basis.

The grapes for the **IL CUORE** 2006 Barbera were harvested from two vineyards in Lake and Mendocino Counties. Both vineyards are located on well-drained gravelly soil terraces above valley floors. Grape production is low from old vine plantings, resulting in concentrated flavors in the mature grapes.

This vintage is 100% **Barbera**. The bright ripe raspberry aromas and rich cane fruit flavors offer attractive complexity. Barrel aging was completed in seasoned sixty-gallon oak cooperage to sculpt tannins and mature the wine, similar to the celebrated *Barbera d'Alba* of northern Italy. The wine has dark garnet color with mouth-filling smooth ripe fruit flavors.

IL CUORE Barbera is recommended with lamb dishes, fresh pork sausages, smoked or slow grilled meat including ribs and creamy risotto. The firm acidity makes it a fine complement to aged cheeses. Or try **IL CUORE** Barbera by the glass during your next Bocce match!

The original art for **IL CUORE** was created by Dan Rizzie, whose bold cubistic paintings are in the permanent collections of both *The Metropolitan Museum of Art* and *The Museum of Modern Art* in New York. The label design celebrates the moderate daily consumption of wine as part of a healthy and passionate lifestyle.



Winemaker: Dennis Patton

Release Date: May 2008

Production: 1,018 cases

Suggested Retail: \$18.00

Blend: 100% Barbera

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“All these things shall love do unto you that you may know the secrets of your heart.”

Kahlil Gibran

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