

IL ♥ CUORE®

“The Heart”

Rosso Classico ♥ 2007

Tuscan Style Blend

Mendocino County

“The Garlic Buster”

IL CUORE (eel quarry) is a fitting tribute to the Italian immigrants who first planted the North Coast region of California to vines during the latter portion of the nineteenth century. The name IL CUORE translates to “*The Heart*” from Italian and is derived from the title of the original watercolor by Dan Rizzie featured on our label.

This vintage, **Rosso Classico**, is a unique blend of **Zinfandel**, **Merlot**, **Petite Sirah**, **Syrah** and **Carignane** varieties. **IL CUORE’s Rosso Classico** is a medium bodied yet expressive wine, produced with modest oak cooperage to emphasize supple tannins and rich fruit flavors on the palate.

Rosso Classico creates a rich and exuberant expression of berries, plums and ripe cherries. **Zinfandel** is the principle grape variety, and contributes effusive ripe cherry flavors and good acidity to cut through spicy cuisine. **Syrah** offers bold fruit flavor and dark color while **Carignane** from this region provides jammy complexity and spicy character. **Petite Sirah** from old plantings adds succulent plum nuances, pleasant spice and great dark color.

The fruity, spicy flavor will enhance a diverse range of cuisine, including comfort foods such as braised lamb shanks, roasted herbed chicken, classic Italian dishes and especially Mediterranean style grilled meats. **Rosso Classico** is excellent served with oven-roasted salmon, grilled eggplant, and has the fresh acidity to marry with spicy cuisine and dishes with tons of garlic!



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ROSSO CLASSICO
RED WINE
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ALC. 14.2% BY VOL.

Winemaker: Dennis Patton

Release Date: October 2009

Production: 2,704 cases

Suggested Retail: \$12.50

Blend: 67% Zinfandel

14% Merlot

8% Petite Sirah

6% Syrah

5% Carignane

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“Love is of all passions the strongest, for it attacks simultaneously the head, the heart, and the senses.”

Voltaire

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