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VINEYARD NOTES: This is our third (and I believe most exciting!) bottling of Love Red. As with the last bottling, we used grapes from 50-70 year old vines from Frei Vineyard in Solano County's Green Valley. Green Valley is small pocket of land, about 3 miles long and a mile wide, tucked between the southeastern corner of Napa Valley and southwestern edge of Suisun Valley. It's unique in that it still contains many of its old-vine Carignan and Valdiguié vineyards on clay-loam soils. Using dry-farmed/head-pruned vines, this is mostly a field blend with a small percentage of Syrah blended in from neighboring Wirth Ranch.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES: The grapes were harvested during the third week of September to help preserve their natural acidity. The Carignan and Valdiguié were 100% destemmed and fermented in 5-ton, open-top wood fermenters. Malolactic fermentation was allowed to happen naturally.

WINERY: Broc Cellars wines are all done by spontaneous fermentation, meaning no inoculated yeast or bacteria is used. We do not add any powdered tannins/enzymes to our wines. A minimal dose of SO2 is added 4 weeks before bottling. The 2014 Love Red is unfined and lightly filtered.

BLEND: 75% Carignan/14% Valdiguié/11% Syrah

ALC: 13% alcohol

TOTAL PRODUCTION: 1,500 cases