



BROC CELLARS | 2015 LOVE RED

v.4

VARIETAL: 65% Carignan, 20% Valdiguie, 15% Syrah

VINEYARD: Frei Vineyard & Wirth Ranch

LOCATION: Solano County – Green Valley

ALCOHOL: 13%

TOTAL PRODUCTION: 2200 cases

WINEMAKER'S NOTES: Our fourth, and most exciting bottling of Love Red yet! The grapes were harvested in the second week of September to help preserve their natural acidity. The Carignan and Syrah were 100% de-stemmed and fermented in stainless steel tanks. The Valdiguie went under carbonic fermentation in stainless steel. Aged for 8 months in neutral French oak barrels and blended before bottling.

VITICULTURAL AREA: As with the previous bottling, we used grapes from 50-70 year-old vines from Frei Vineyard in Solano County's Green Valley. The area is a small pocket of land, about 3 miles long and a mile wide – tucked between the southeastern edge of Suisun Valley. It's unique in that it still contains many of its old vine Carignan and Valdiguie vineyards grown 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.

All of our wines are made naturally, meaning no use of inoculated yeasts or bacteria. We use only native yeast to spark fermentation. We do not add any powdered tannins or enzymes. A minimal dose of SO2 is added 4 weeks before bottling to some wines.

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