



2017 BROCC CELLARS | LOVE RED

VARIETAL: 50% Carignan, 36% Valdiguié, 8% Syrah, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD: Wirth Ranch and Parenti Vineyard

LOCATION: North Coast (Solano County Green Valley)

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

TOTAL PRODUCTION: 4800 cases

WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

The Love Red grapes were harvested in the second week of September to preserve the grape's natural acidity. The Carignan and Syrah were both whole cluster fermented and destemmed in concrete and stainless tanks. The Valdiguié went under carbonic fermentation in stainless steel. Aged for 8 months in concrete and neutral French oak barrels.

VITICULTURAL AREA:

The grapes come from 70 year old vines in Solano County's Green Valley. This area is tucked between Napa and Suisun Valley. Parenti and Wirth Ranch each provide Syrah and Valdiguié for this blend. The Carignan comes solely from Parenti Vineyard. The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from Wirth. The grapes of each vineyard grow in clay loam soils and come from mostly dry-farmed and head-pruned vines.

We started making our Love Wines because we want to provide a more affordable everyday drinking wine to a larger market while still espousing the key tenets we believe in --- minimal intervention and sustainable farming. The Love wines are larger production blends by design. We still use only native yeasts and bacteria for fermentation with no additives or adjuncts, but we do choose to use trace amounts of SO2 at bottling. Each of the Love blends contain grapes from vineyards with varying degrees of intervention and the vineyards and blends can change with each vintage.

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