

# 2002 PAZZO

by Bacio Divino Cellars, St. Helena, California [www.baciodivino.com](http://www.baciodivino.com)

- Varietal Content      66% Sangiovese, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Zinfandel,  
5% Petit Sirah, 2% Viognier
- Aging:                    All wines were aged in a variety of newer and older French and  
Hungarian Oak barrels for 19 months. Bottling was in July 2004.
- Alcohol:                14.1% alcohol/volume
- Grape Sources:        All grapes are from Napa Valley vineyards. From our beginning, we  
have maintained the highest standard of quality control over our estate  
vineyards and those with which we've had contracts.
- Total Production:    1900 cases.
- Release Date:         August, 2003
- Winemaker:            Claus Janzen
- Consulting for Winemaking & Viticulture:  
Nils and Kirk Venge.
- Blending:              The blending of several varietals to achieve something beyond the scope  
of any one grape is our goal at Bacio Divino Cellars. Pazzo is another  
example of this philosophy. This wine should be considered for current  
consumption. Pazzo is intended as a casual wine, moderately priced for  
a Napa Valley appellation.
- Tasting Notes:        Balance and acidity are the keys to this wine! Sangiovese fruit usually  
exhibits abundant cherry flavors in the nose and palate, and Pazzo is  
brimming with this fresh fruit. Matured in various French and  
Hungarian oak barrels, the blend of wood spice and vibrant fruit make  
for a wonderful drink.

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**Pazzo "Call me crazy". 2000 Napa Red Rated 90, Outstanding.**

Proprietor Claus Janzen continued to perform his magic in the challenging 2000 vintage. The **2000 Pazzo** is a full throttle Sangiovese that makes a mockery of most California Sangiovese-based wines. A serious effort, it offers aromas of soy, new saddle leather, sweet and sour cherries as well as currants in a medium to full-bodied, concentrated flavorful style meant to be consumed over the next 2-5 years. If Bacio Divino can make Sangiovese this good, why do so many other wineries fall on their faces?

**Pazzo "Call me crazy". 2001 Napa Red Rated 89, Very Good.**

The tasty **2001 Pazzo "Call me Crazy"** is a blend of 55% Sangiovese, the rest equal parts of Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Sirah. It possesses a dark ruby/garnet color in addition to a big, smoky/barbecue-like bouquet revealing scents of sweet cherries, cedar, earth and charcuterie/sausage aromas. It will drink beautifully (especially with Italian dishes) over the next 2-3 years.