



## 2013 FUSION RED

### AN EXCEPTIONAL RED WINE BLENDED FROM LODI'S FINEST WINEGRAPE VARIETALS

Fusion is a deftly composed modern blend that has its roots in the ancient past. Steve Borra's grandfather used the traditional method of field blend planting to create a combination of grapes in a single vineyard that work together to blend his wine. After harvesting the vineyard, the blend was already made, with each varietal contributing a special element of flavor and character to the wine. Nowadays, rather than a field blend, each vineyard block is harvested only when perfectly ripe, with lots vinified separately, leveraging the latest high-end winemaking techniques.

### Tasting Notes

Our favorite crowd-pleaser is a deliciously dry, super-savory, complex fusion of Lodi's best red winegrape varieties. Cutting the chase to food: how about Teriyaki-marinated skirt steak or Chinese pork spare ribs as you drink this right now? Those sort of Asian dishes seem to be a heaven-made marriage with this vintage, and many of the previous Fusion vintages, too. The wine carries a boat-load of blueberries, plums and black licorice with a healthy dash of spicy pepper thrown in. These rest on a backbone of somewhat chalky tannins, bringing everything in balance. Leave a half-full glass next to the Jacuzzi for some wine aromatherapy of plush rose petals, oak essence and bowls of fruit perfuming the air. Stare deep into the wine and you'll actually be able to see through it, like looking into a beautiful gem of garnet. (02/27/2016)

### Statistics

Appellation:	Lodi		
Blend:	60% Syrah, 20% Petite Sirah, 17% Zinfandel, 3% Mourvèdre		
Harvested:	September 5-20, 2013		
Cases:	235 bottled August 7, 2015		
Alcohol:	14.5%	RS:	1.00 g/L, dry
pH:	3.70	TA:	5.35 g/L



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