

2008 FUSION RED AN EXCEPTIONAL RED WINE BLENDED FROM LODI'S FINEST VINEYARDS

Fusion is a carefully created 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.

Fast-forward to the present and you'll find Steve Borra using modern-day advances informed by time-honored, traditional Italian winegrape growing to nuture our vines for this fusion of Lodi's best winegrape varieties. 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

Plum, sour cherry and a sachet of rose petals caress the nose, along with roasted pepper and coffee. Jammy strawberry rhubarb pie and plum with tantalizing bacon and hints of pine fully embrace the mouth, leading to smooth and long-lasting spicy anise coated with rich cloves. A tantalizing partner to amply-layered Chicago-style pizza or a grill-marked steak.

Statistics

Appellation: Lodi

Blend: 42% Petite Sirah, 22% Syrah, 22% Zinfandel,

9% Alicante Bouschet, 5% Mourvèdre

Harvested: October 2008

Bottled: August 31, 2010

Alcohol: 14.9%

pH: 3.74

TA: 6.2 g/L

Cases Produced: 550