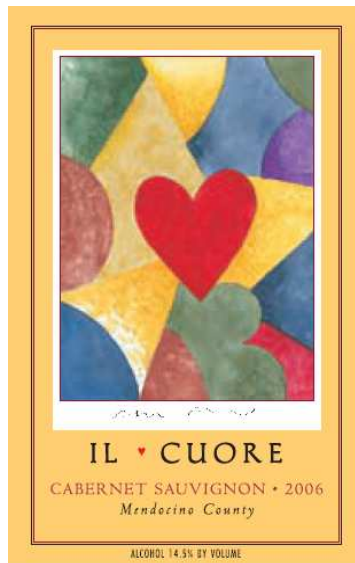


IL CUORE 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon



VINEYARDS

IL CUORE (pronounced "eel quarry") translates to "*The Heart*" from Italian, the language of romance. The name is also the title of the original watercolor by Dan Rizzie featured on the label. **IL CUORE** is a fitting tribute to the Italian immigrants who first planted the North Coast of California to vines in the nineteenth century.

ARTWORK:

The original art for **IL CUORE** was created by Dan Rizzie, whose bold cubistic paintings are in the permanent collections of both *The Metropolitan Museum of Art* and *The Museum of Modern Art* in New York. The label design celebrates the moderate daily consumption of wine as part of a healthy and passionate lifestyle.

DESCRIPTION:

This vintage is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon with Merlot grown in Mendocino County's historic Redwood Valley. The Cabernet Sauvignon offers black cherry flavors and plenty of supple tannins while the Merlot brings added structure, deep fruit flavors and floral scents to the blend. **IL CUORE** Cabernet Sauvignon is recommended with Mediterranean cuisine and classic Italian fare. Ideal wine and food pairings include lean grilled meats, rich fish such as salmon or tuna, pasta or try **IL CUORE** with aged cheeses. And don't forget rich, dark chocolate! *SALUTE!*

WINEMAKING:

Renowned winemaker Dennis Patton creates this soft but well structured cabernet sauvignon by aging occurred in neutral 60 gallon oak barrels allowing the wine to develop complexity yet not be dominated by aggressive oak flavors.

PRODUCTION:

2,132 cases - 750 ml

BLEND:

97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Merlot

ANALYSIS:

14.5% alcohol by volume

RELEASE:

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