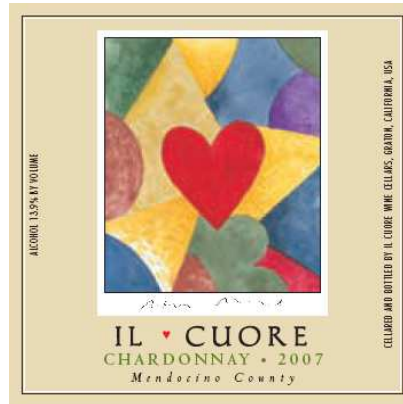


IL CUORE 2007 Chardonnay



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:

IL CUORE Chardonnay is produced from grapes grown exclusively in the cool coastal region of Mendocino County. Vineyards in this area invoke Chardonnays that are fresh with apple and pear flavors, complemented by floral nuances in the bouquet. This is the eleventh vintage and has a five percent component of Viognier to enhance aromas and add complexity on the palate. **IL CUORE** Chardonnay is recommended with fish, shellfish, crab cakes, game birds, light pasta, vegetarian casserole and mildly spicy Asian cuisine.

WINEMAKING:

Renowned winemaker Dennis Patton creates the fresh, graceful style of this Chardonnay by using cold fermentation in small stainless steel vessels and small components of barrel fermentation in mostly neutral small oak cooperage. The gentle use of oak offers versatility with a wide range of foods.

PRODUCTION:

4,137 cases - 750 ml

BLEND:

95% Chardonnay, 5% Viognier

HARVEST:

October 11, 2005 at 24.9 degrees Brix.

AGING:

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ANALYSIS:

14.2% alcohol by volume

RELEASE:

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