

LOCATI CELLARS

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2009 Innovation “*Super Tuscan*” Blend

Barbera - Lonesome Spring Ranch Vineyard, Columbia Valley AVA
Cabernet Sauvignon - Goose Ridge Vineyard, Columbia Valley AVA
Sangiovese - Mission Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley AVA
Alc. 13.89% by Vol.

Growing Season

The 2009 growing season started with one of the coolest springs on record. Bud break was late all over the state. As spring transitioned into summer our temperatures remained mild. Fortunately we had a nice long Indian summer allowing for longer hang time, developing complexity and fully mature grapes.

Vineyards

Columbia Valley AVA is the largest grape growing region in the state of Washington, consisting of 43,317 acres of vineyards. The Columbia Valley AVA equates to 98% of the total vineyard area planted in the state of WA.

Lonesome Spring Ranch Vineyard, Columbia Valley AVA

This 110 acres vineyard was planted in 1996 by Collin Morrell. Site is mostly S and SE facing slopes at the elevation of 890-1000 ft. Soil composed of Kootenay silt loam. The vineyard site was previously an orchard of apricots.

Goose Ridge Vineyard, Columbia Valley AVA

Located four miles east of Benton City, WA. Vineyard elevation ranges from 750 to 1150 ft. The first blocks of grapes were planted in 1998, continuing through 2007. Goose Ridge Vineyards is committed to producing premium quality wine grapes.

Mission Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla AVA

Locati Cellars' estate vineyard is located in the famed Walla Walla Valley AVA in the state of Washington. The vines were planted 5 feet apart in soil that consist of sand, silt and gravel deposits which were delivered by the Missoula floods 10-12,000 years ago. The Missoula floods brought favorable topography and soil for all types of agriculture. The grapes were planted in 2005.

Barrel Composition

100% Neutral Oak (Barbera & Cab Sav.) 60% Hungarian Oak (Sangiovese)

Blend

50% Sangiovese 25% Cabernet Sauvignon 25% Barbera

Tasting Notes

This garnet colored super-Tuscan blend of 50% Sangiovese, 25% Barbera, and 25% Cabernet Sauvignon hits you up front with aromas of raspberry and strawberry fruit, tobacco, vanilla, anise, and baking spices. Upon your first sip, strawberry and red cherry dominate the palate with a hint of vanilla and a solid oak backbone. The finish is long and reminiscent of licorice. Our estate Sangiovese shines through on both the nose and the palate with the Cabernet Sauvignon providing the structure for aging. 3.86 pH and 5.81 g/L of titratable acidity.

Awards

2013 Winepress NW Best of the Best Top 100 - Platinum
2013 Seattle Wines Award – Gold
2013 Northwest Wine Summit – Gold
2013 Northwest Wine Festival - Silver

Cases Produced: 425

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