



2012 Barbera

98% Barbera - Leventini Vineyard
2% Primitivo - Bella Vigna Vineyard
100% Lodi AVA

Our mature vines are grafted with a very old clone, one likely cultivated in California since the 1880's.

We used a yeast strain isolated in Barolo and immediately following alcoholic fermentation and pressing, we filled the wine into barrels for a malo-lactic conversion in wood. It was minimally handled and racked just once during winter. Total aging in cooperage was nine months and consisted of 27% new French oak, 13% once or twice used French oak, with the balance in fairly neutral oak.

Bottled in July 2013; 13.8% alcohol, pH 3.35 & TA 6.7 g/l

Rich, deep and structured; with fruity aromas and flavors, a hint of vanilla, notes of berries and ripe stone fruits like cherries and plums; with a clean, well delineated and complex finish.

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