LOCATI CELLARS

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100% Dolcetto 100% Cockburn Ranch Vineyard, Walla Walla AVA Alc. 13.1% By Vol.

Growing Season

Bud break arrived before the typical schedule due to a warm winter with little snow, but a warm spring led to accelerated growth and a great fruit set. It was pretty close to the 2013 vintage that by June, we had full canopies and were three to four weeks ahead of schedule. Growing Degree Days for the year shattered records, putting Walla Walla and most of WA into a perfect and bountiful vintage. The summer continued its dry and hot pattern all the way through harvest. That was great news for our grapes as they could ripen without large drops in acidity.

Vineyards

Cockburn Ranch Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley AVA
This vineyard is one of Zerba Cellars' estate vineyards where they have
planted upwards of 20 varietals. The "little sweet one" is one of those
varietals, and we have chosen this vineyard for this varietal. Higher than
most vineyards in the Walla Walla Valley, the soil is not dominated by the
Missoula flood silts that define most of the valley but by the Athena silt
series.

Barrel composition

100% neutral French oak

Tasting Notes

Dark ruby in color and quite fruity, this variety calls the Piedmont region of Italy it's home. Blackberry jam, dark cherry, and prune on the nose lead into black cherry and blackberry on the palate supported by olive and cassis. The tannin profile is dusty but smooth, leading into a long finish of fruit and acidity. Drink now through 2020. 3.78 pH and 5.9 g/L of titratable acidity.

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