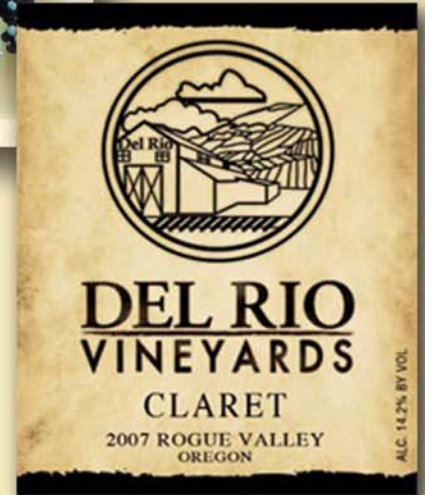


2007 DEL RIO CLARET

Four Meld Claret

*Del Rio
Vineyard
Rogue Valley,
Oregon*



Del Rio Vineyards is located in the Rogue Valley Appellation of Southern Oregon. Warm, dry summer days and cool evenings create the perfect environment for growing Bordeaux varietals. Located on the 42.43° latitude north, we are very similar to Bordeaux, France which is 44° latitude north.

VARIETAL

50% Cabernet Sauvignon
30% Merlot
10% Malbec
10% Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKING

Aged 18 months in 60% French, 30% American and 10% Hungarian oak barrels, of which 30% was from new oak.

STATISTICS

pH - 3.7
Alcohol - 14.2%
Acidity - 4.8 g/l

TASTING NOTES

The 2007 Claret shows the qualities that have made this blend a favorite. The nose shows intense fruity notes of blackberry and fig. It is then followed by woody flavors of cedar and coffee. The 18 month barrel aging, contributes to a well balanced mouth feel with silky young tannins.



VINTAGE NOTES - 2007

Benefitting from a late harvest the grapes experienced much cooler temperatures, lower alcohol levels, structured acidity and ideal flavor development. 2007 was indeed an excellent vintage..

FOOD PAIRING

Pair with cheddar and other hard cheeses, grilled lamb, vegetables, filet mignon, duck, roast beef, pasta with marinara sauce and other hearty dishes.

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