

ROSA D'ORO

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2009 Refosco



SRP \$24

Yolo County – Dunnigan Hills

Harvested from grafting budwood at Novavine

110R roostock

Refosco Nostrano clone FPS 03 (VCR 5 Faedis)

Hand Harvested 9/17/09 @ 26.0 Brix

8-day fermentation, 82°F maximum temperature

1 225l. barrel produced, 2 year old American oak

11 months in barrel

Racked by gravity twice

Unfined, very lightly filtered

3.80 bottling pH

RS/.035

25 cases produced

Hand bottled

13.8% ABV

Native to the Friuli region in Northeastern Italy, the unique Refosco grape produces a rich, dark wine that is full bodied with rich plum flavor underscored by notes of damp earth and subtle licorice when grown in warmer California climates. It is low in tannin and acid yet full of dark flavor and subtle pepper and spice.

2009 began cold and dry, easing into classic clear Lake County weather with moderate warmth in summer, a few heat spikes late in the season and cold nights until October rains. Early and mid-ripening cultivars were the easy winners after three inches of rain fell in mid-October, with the cool weather spreading out harvest in a good way.

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