



# SMOKING LOON

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## RED WINE BLEND

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### TASTING NOTES

Smoking Loon Red Loon offers abundant aromas of dark fruits like black cherry and blueberry, while its oak influences introduce hints of cedar and vanilla bean. This blend's varietals merge to yield decadent flavors of cherry jam, dark caramel, and milk chocolate. With its velvety, smooth finish, this rich red wine is perfect for summer picnics and barbecues. Well-balanced and medium-bodied, this wine pairs nicely with baby back ribs with a brown sugar rub or your favorite burger.

### APPELLATION

With its moderate climate, and diverse terroir, the state of California offers many distinct AVAs. For this red blend, grapes were sourced from a handful of regions, most notably Lodi. The Lodi AVA is located in the Central Valley of California, at the northern edge of the San Joaquin Valley, east of the San Francisco Bay. Lodi wine country has a climate that is cooled by winds and fog from the San Francisco Bay. Because of a break in the Coastal Mountain Range to the west, Lodi vineyards enjoy a more moderate climate than many other regions. Lodi's terrain is composed of well-drained, mineral-rich soils.

### PHILOSOPHY

Smoking Loon was established in 2000 on a very simple premise: good wine doesn't need to take itself so seriously. Originally named for Don Sebastiani's love of cigars and his father August's passion for water fowl (don't ask, long story), Smoking Loon offers an irreverent, tongue-in-cheek approach to enjoying wine.

Our wines are crafted for those with an appetite for adventure, those in touch with their inner loon, those who consider pretense simply unnecessary. Each vintage provides our winemakers the perfect opportunity to have a little fun and indulge their inner loon. They start by scouring the top wine regions of the world for the finest fruit. Then, they gently guide that fruit to its fullest potential, creating fruit-forward, well-balanced wines that offer a keen blend of approachability, quality, and value.

### PRODUCTION NOTES

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**APPELLATION** 100% California (45% Lodi, 33% Clarksburg, 18% San Joaquin County, 2% Suisun Valley, and 2% Paso Robles)

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**BLEND** 46% Petite Sirah, 18% Merlot, 15% Zinfandel, 13% Tempranillo, 5% Syrah, and 3% Malbec

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**SPECIFICATIONS** pH: 3.56 | TA: 6.1 g/L | ABV: 13.5%