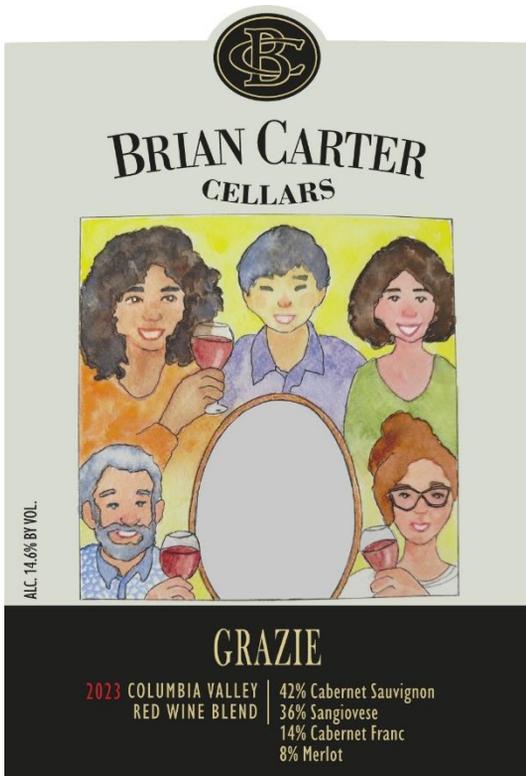




2023 Grazie

Eighth Edition Heart and Soul Series Blend Columbia Valley AVA

I am very proud to introduce the eighth addition to our **Heart and Soul Series**. My passion is making great blended wines, and I offer a wide selection of them, largely inspired by the classic blends of Europe. Each **Heart and Soul** wine is unique in its blend, and each is dedicated to someone who has played a special role in my life. This year I offer you **Grazie** (pronounced *Grat-see-yay*), which is inspired by the Super Tuscan wines of Italy where Bordeaux dominant blends supported by Sangiovese are common. Grazie is Italian for “thank you”, so this wine is dedicated to **YOU!** By purchasing and enjoying my wines over 45 years in Washington, each one of you has contributed so much to my success as a winemaker. Beautiful dark ruby in color, the wine has aromas of Bing cherries, wild blackberries and eucalyptus. On the palate you will find similar lively fruit, bright acidity, ripe tannins and a lasting finish. This is a food par excellence: how about Osso Bucco cooked in a rich tomato sauce?



Wine Data

Cabernet Sauvignon 42%
*Stone Tree Vineyard, Wahluke Slope (36%)
Elderling Vineyard, Yakima Valley (6%)*

Sangiovese 36%
Solstice Vineyard, Yakima Valley

Cabernet Franc 14%
Dineen Vineyard, Yakima Valley

Merlot 8%
Upland Vineyard, Yakima Valley

Oak Aging
Aged in French oak, 40% new & 60% used (1-5 years)

Analysis at Harvest

Harvest Dates 9/26 to 10/23, 2023
Average Brix 25.4
Average TA 0.58%
Average pH 3.35

Analysis at Bottling

Residual Sugar >0.1%
TA 0.66%
pH 3.40
Alcohol 14.6%

Production 194 cases

Brian D. Carter
Winemaker

“A Passion for the Art of Blending”

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