

Foppoli Wines

Varietal: Chardonnay

Vintage: 2011

Fanciful Name: Lion

Region/AVA: Russian River Valley

State Of Origin: California

ABV: 13.5%

Bottle Size: 750 ml

Bottles Per Case: 12

Closure Type: Cork

WINE STORY:

The Foppoli family has been making boutique wines in California for nearly 100 years. In Italy, the family winemaking tradition dates back centuries. The American practice started 5 generations ago when Giuseppe Foppoli created a high end private label in a small production facility located in the North Beach section of San Francisco. Giuseppe only allowed the wine to be sold to a select list of long time customers and in the two high end private social clubs that he ran in the city. The tradition of high end exclusivity has been passed down to Giuseppe's great grandson Dominic Foppoli who is the current Brand Manager of Foppoli Wines. Dominic, along with his wine making father Richard, have kept the practice of making only small production lots reserved for private family use and direct sales to friends and associates. In 2002, with the addition of new vineyards on the Foppoli Family Estate in the central Russian River Valley, the Foppoli's finally allowed a vineyard designate to be created from their excess crops. The huge public success from these designates along with the expansion of facilities on the estate finally convinced the Foppoli family to create a retail label for their wine. The 2006 Foppoli Russian River Valley Chardonnay marked the first vintage the family has ever allowed to be released to the general public. After nearly a century, the Foppoli's hand crafted, tradition infused wine is finally available in a limited release to the general public.

SCORES AND ACCOLADES:

