



## 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon

### WINEMAKER PHILIPPE MELKA'S TASTING NOTES

This rich and bold wine exhibits a dense mix of aromas that include blackberry preserves, blueberries, black currants, anise, espresso and cocoa with a touch of minerality. It is enhanced with its expression of hoisin and soy among the concentrated dark, ripe fruit notes. Those layered purple fruit and deep dark licorice flavors envelope the mouth with intense inky and velvety tannins, followed by a wonderful long, lingering finish. As this 2010 evolves in my glass, it is signature ROY Cabernet Sauvignon; seductive and powerful, yet harmonious, showing that wonderful richness and purity of flavor from this unique & special property.

*For optimum enjoyment of this wine, please decant and serve at about 64 °F.*

SEPTEMBER '13

#### VARIETAL AND HARVEST INFORMATION

Varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot

Appellation: Napa Valley (nestled in Soda Canyon just south of Stags Leap District)

Blend: 100% ROY Estate - 93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Petit Verdot

Harvested: September 30 - October 23, 2010

#### VINIFICATION

Concrete tanks/Open top fermenters

Maceration Time: 21 days

Malolactic Fermentation: 100% barrel fermentation

#### BOTTLED

April 10, 2013

#### FINISHED WINE

Alcohol: 14.5% TA: 5.60 g/l pH: 3.86

#### BARREL AGE

28 months in new French oak

No fining/No filtration

#### COOPERAGE

100% new Taransaud French oak

#### PRODUCTION

350 cases



#### 2010 ROY Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

A Cabernet Sauvignon Dry Red Table Wine from Napa, North Coast, California, USA

**Rating: 92**

**Drink: 2013-2033**

**Source: Wine Advocate #209 (Oct. 2013)**

The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate, which was picked between the end of September and October 23, is a blend of 93% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Petit Verdot. Its opaque ruby/purple color is followed by aromas of tar, truffles, blackberries and cassis, a full-bodied mouthfeel, a dense palate, and rich, intensely concentrated, long flavors. Consume this beauty over the next 20+ years.

This estate is run by Shirley Roy, who continues to be inspired by the work she and her deceased husband began on their 17-acre estate tucked away in one of Napa Valley's more secluded areas, Soda Canyon. They now have 12 blocks of Cabernet Sauvignon, 3 blocks of Merlot and 2 blocks of Petit Verdot, and the vineyard, which is in the foothills of the Vaca Mountains, continues to go from strength to strength. My favorite wine is usually their Cabernet Sauvignon.

—Robert Parker