

Winemaker Tasting Notes

2010 MALK FAMILY VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON STAGS LEAP DISTRICT OF NAPA VALLEY

The 2010 vintage in the Napa Valley may be what some consider a "sleeper" vintage. Originally not as highly touted as the 2009 vintage, the 2010 has produced some wines of incredible depth and complexity and certainly will prove to be wines that hold up as nicely over time as they do in their youth. The Malk Family Cabernet is no exception. It was one of the deepest and broadest presence on the palate as we have produced. The structure and finesse is classic Stag's Leap District, but the concentration and weight is certainly impressive. Aromatically the wine presents a beautiful ripe currant and dark berry quality, but there is a reserved earth and mineral character that makes this wine special and gives us the impression there are plenty of more expressions this wine will share over time.

PRODUCTION NOTES:

- Winemaker: Robbie Meyer
- Production: 298 cases
- Griffin Vineyard
- Stags Leap District of Napa Valley
- 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
- Harvested in October 2010
- Hand sorted
- 25 day maceration,
- Native yeast and natural malolactic
- 20 months in French oak; 75% new
- Bottled in June 2012
- Released July 2013

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