



CLARK-CLAUDON
VINEYARDS

2010 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Our 2010 vintage is glorious! The '10 winter brought us more than average rain, the summer gave us many cool days and fall showers made their entrance before the final Napa Valley stage was set. Yet, our cover crop held our soil, canopy management assured optimal use of the sun and our last fruit was harvested, fully ripe, just before the late Fall rain. 2010, is one more vintage that we can't wait to share.

IN THE VINYARD & WINERY

Location, location, location; again it made the difference in 2010. Following night harvest and triple sorting, the berries from each harvest lot produced a deep purple flow into French Oak barrels. There they began the next two years of their life. In barrel they were hand punched down three times a day, facilitating optimum color, and flavor development as well as gently integrating tannins.

The artful blending of this vintage not only included the 5 harvest lots, but also the individual barrels from each of those lots. Exploring the resulting combinations was a winemakers dream!

WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2010 Estate Cabernet will greet you with its beautiful deep ruby color and hints of geranium on the rim. From there enjoy a spectacular burst of boysenberry, blueberry and black currant, plus undertones of honeycomb, crème brulee, spicy oak and sage. After a velvety entrance, this wine is packed with juicy black cherry, dark stone fruit, a rich round mid-pallet, perfect balance and fine tanins. Enjoy the lingering notes of quinine and the long cedar, fruit and dark chocolate finish. Pure splendor in a glass!

VINTAGE FACTS

Grape Source:	17 Acre, NV, Hillside, Estate, Certified Sustainable/Green
Varietal Content:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Percent Alcohol:	14.5%
Aging:	2 years French Oak, 2 years Bottle; 65% new
Winemaking Team:	Frederic Delivert & Jean Hoefliger
Vineyard Management:	Tom Clark & Josh Clark; Clark Vineyard Management
Production:	480 Case