

2010 Michael Black Vineyard Merlot, Napa Valley

Harvest: Hand-picked from September 30 to October 9, 2010

Appellation: Coombsville Appellation, Napa Valley

Varietal Composition: 100% Merlot

Brix at Harvest: 26.9 Brix

PH: 3.59 pH

Total Acidity: 5.7 g/L

Crush: 100% whole berries

Pre-fermentation: 4 day cold soak at 50 degrees F

Fermentation: 13 days primary, malo-lactic fermentation in barrel

Peak Temperature: 92-94 degrees F

Pressing: 9 days after the onset of fermentation

Aging: 20 months in barrel

Oak: 100% French oak, 50% new for the vintage consisting of Allier,

Troncais and Center of France forests, both medium and

medium plus toast

Bottled: July 17, 2012

Produced: 398 (9L) cases, including 6/1.5L magnum cases

Release Date: May 1, 2013

Winemaker's Notes:

Rich aromas of plum and blackberry combine with spicy oak, cinnamon and a dusty vanilla bouquet on the nose. In the mouth, creamy red fruit bursts across the palate, with minerality and supple tannins overlaying a lush texture and lingering fruit on the finish. This unique wine gives the overall impression of fruit density and weight, with amazing suppleness, round textures, intense flavors and polished tannins.

Finished Wine Statistics:

Alcohol: 14.9% pH: 3.50 pH TA: 5.7 g/L