



La Joie. 2010

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PHILOSOPHY

The wines of Vérité, French for “truth,” are the result of a combination of old world experience and new world fruit. Each wine is a distinct blend of unique components harvested from small vineyard blocks, culminating in a meticulously formed union of grape varieties, climate, soil expression, and winemaking technique. Vigneron Pierre Seillan refers to this methodology as *droit du sol*, “right of the soil.”

TASTING NOTES

A beautiful wine with intense color and a red crown along the edges, the 2010 La Joie reveals a silky, soft, and voluptuously fruity nose with a touch of discreet oak and fine spices. It opens with an opulent palate of red and black fruits, spices, and licorice before giving way to an impressively long finish. This is a wine with very fine tannins, a wine of balance between fruit and minerality. While it can be enjoyed young, this wine will be able to age for at least 20 years.

VINEYARD SOURCES

Appellation	Alexander Valley	Bennett Valley	Chalk Hill	Knights Valley
Soil Types	Rocky Volcanic	Clay, Basalt, Volcanic Ash	Volcanic Ash	Gravelly Volcanic
Elevation	1,800-2,400 feet	600 feet	800 feet	960 feet
Average Age of Vines	25 years	11 years	15 years	20 years
Varieties	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Cabernet Franc Petit Verdot	Merlot	Petit Verdot Cabernet Franc Merlot	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot

SPECIFICS

100% SONOMA COUNTY

75% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
14% MERLOT
6% PETIT VERDOT
5% CABERNET FRANC

13.5% ALCOHOL, 0.62 TA, 3.61 pH
AGED 17 MONTHS IN 100% NEW FRENCH OAK

ACCLAIM

92+ Points - “...Copious aromas of incense, unsmoked cigar tobacco, Christmas fruitcake, cedar, underbrush, black currants and a hint of espresso roast emerge from this medium to full-bodied, rich, concentrated red...”

ROBERT PARKER, *Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate*, December 2013