# VÉRITÉ

La Muse

2007

## 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 wine of great intensity with notes of black fruits, well balanced, with a long finish of mature tannins and elegant oak. The bouquet and the palate will continue to develop over the next 5-10 years.

## VINEYARD SOURCES

Appellation	Alexander Valley	Bennett Valley	Knights Valley	Chalk Hill
Estate Vineyards	Alexander Mountain	Jackson Park	Kellogg	Vérité Vale
Soil Types	Rocky Volcanic	Clay, Basalt, Volcanic Ash	Gravelly Volcanic	Volcanic Ash
Elevation	1800 feet	600 feet	900 feet	800 feet
Average Yield	2 tons/acre	2.5 tons/acre	2 tons/acre	2 tons/acre
Average Age of Vines	25 years	10 years	20 years	15 years
Varieties	Merlot	Merlot	Merlot	Merlot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc

#### Specifics 100% Sonoma County

85% Merlot 10% Cabernet Franc 5% Malbec

14.4% Alcohol, 0.58 TA, 3.63 pH Aged in 100% new French oak for 16 months

### Acclaim

**IOO POINTS** – "A perfect wine... its extraordinary sweet notes of caramelized herbs, mocha, coffee, blackberries and cassis are followed by a multilayered, full-bodied wine revealing a seamless integration of acidity, tannin, alcohol and wood, and an opulent, voluptuous finish that goes on and on. It is thrilling to smell, taste and drink..." ROBERT PARKER, JR., *ROBERT PARKER'S WINE ADVOCATE*, JUNE 2011, ISSUE #195

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