



VÉRITÉ

Le Désir 2001

SIMPLY PUT, BUT PROFOUND IN ITS INTENT, VÉRITÉ IS DEDICATED TO PRODUCING LUXURIOUS WINES OF STYLE AND SUBSTANCE ALONG A TRADITIONAL BORDELAISE MODEL.

FRENCH FOR ‘*truth*,’ VÉRITÉ VINIFIES RED BORDEAUX VARIETALS FROM MICRO-CRUS—SPECIFIC SITES WITHIN SONOMA COUNTY’S FINEST MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS THAT ARE OFTEN COMPOSED OF ONLY A SINGLE ROW OF VINES. VÉRITÉ WINES REPRESENT A CAREFULLY CONSIDERED CONVERGENCE OF GRAPE VARIETIES, CLIMATE, SOIL EXPOSITION AND WINEMAKING TECHNIQUE. VIGNERON PIERRE SEILLAN REFERS TO THAT CONJUNCTION AS *droit du sol* OR ‘RIGHT OF THE SOIL’.

THE 2001 VINTAGE MARKS PIERRE SEILLAN’S SECOND VINTAGE OF LE DÉSIR AND REPRESENTS HIS CONTINUED DEDICATION TO CRAFT WINES WITHOUT COMPROMISE. A BLEND OF MERLOT, CABERNET FRANC AND CABERNET SAUVIGNON, LE DÉSIR REPRESENTS THE GRACE AND OPULENCE OF THE BEST ST. EMILION-STYLE WINES. A DEEP CLARET COLOR IS FOLLOWED BY A SWEET, BLACK FRUIT NOSE. LE DÉSIR’S COMPLEX CHARACTER CONTINUES WITH RIPE BLACKBERRY FLAVORS THAT ARE SURPRISINGLY SOFT GIVEN THE INTENSITY OF THE FRUIT. THIS WINE EMBODIES A TRULY REMARKABLE INTEGRATION OF WOOD, ACIDITY, ALCOHOL AND TANNIN.

LE DÉSIR REPRESENTS PIERRE SEILLAN’S PASSION FOR THE UNPRETENTIOUS CABERNET FRANC GRAPE. ALTHOUGH MOST FREQUENTLY USED TO ENHANCE MERLOT AND CABERNET SAUVIGNON BLENDS, CABERNET FRANC, WHEN CRAFTED WITH AN ARTISAN APPROACH, POSSESSES THE CHARACTER TO PLAY THE PRINCIPLE ROLE IN A FINE WINE BLEND. THE 2001 LE DÉSIR IS A BLEND OF MULTIPLE MICRO-CRUS THAT STRIVE TO SHOWCASE THE CHARACTER OF OUR ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET FRANC. LE DÉSIR’S MERLOT AND CABERNET SAUVIGNON ARE ALSO SOURCED PRIMARILY FROM MICRO-CRUS IN ALEXANDER VALLEY.

SPECIFICS

48% MERLOT

42% CABERNET FRANC

10% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

14.1% ALCOHOL 0.56 TA 3.68 pH

15 MONTHS BARREL AGING IN 100% NEW FRENCH OAK