



VÉRITÉ®

Le Désir
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

Already impressive with a beautiful, intense color, this wine has an aromatic presence with notes of licorice and black fruit. An opulent palate is revealed through flavors of nutmeg and anise, and a weighty, yet silky, texture. This is a harmonious wine with a long finish supported by tannins and a mineral backbone.

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 feet	600 feet	800–900 feet	900 feet
Average Age of Vines	25 years	11 years	15 years	20 years
Varieties	Merlot Cabernet Franc Cabernet Sauvignon	Merlot	Cabernet Franc Merlot	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot

SPECIFICS

100% SONOMA COUNTY

50% CABERNET FRANC

40% MERLOT

10% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

14.5% ALCOHOL, 0.60 TA, 3.63 pH

AGED 15 MONTHS IN 100% NEW FRENCH OAK

ACCLAIM

93 Points – “...The 2010 Le Désir is soft and rich. As Pierre Seillan said, the huge heat wave at the end of September seems to have made the 2010 Verite wines more approachable and front end-loaded than usual. This effort displays lots of black currant and black cherry fruit along with hints of asphalt, incense and licorice. The tannins are ripe and well-integrated, and the wine is round, full-bodied and generous...”

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