



VÉRITÉ

Le Désir
2014

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

Marking the 50th year of Pierre Seillan’s cultivation of Cabernet Franc, the precision of this wine is matched only by its elegance. A bouquet of blackberries, rose petals and herbs de provence unite in the iron-rich minerality that is the varietal’s birthright. Perfectly cultivated fruit -- harvested by micro-cru and masterfully blended -- here produces an intensely structured, long-lasting wine.

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 Malbec	Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot

SPECIFICS

100% SONOMA COUNTY

53% CABERNET FRANC

22% MERLOT

21% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

4% MALBEC

14.1% ALCOHOL, 0.57 TA, 3.70 PH

AGED 15 MONTHS IN 100% FRENCH OAK WITH MAJORITY NEW OAK

ACCLAIM

98 Points - ROBERT M. PARKER JR., *The Wine Advocate*, October 2016