

## LE DÉSIR SONOMA COUNTY VINTAGE 2010

Vérité Le Désir is a Cabernet Franc-based blend that exudes high-toned aromatics, an iron graphite core and a pronounced minerality. Inspired by the iconic wines of Saint-Émilion, Bordeaux, Le Désir redefines Cabernet Franc from the New World, with layers of concentrated fruit, exotic spice and a plush sueded texture. Vigneron Pierre Seillan tends to a mosaic of more than fifty micro-crus to produce the complex signature of Le Désir.

## TASTING NOTES

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.

BARREL AGING: Aged 15 months in 100% new French oak VARIETAL BREAKDOWN: 50% Cabernet Franc, 40% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon APPELLATIONS: Alexander Valley, Chalk Hill, Bennett Valley, Knights Valley ALCOHOL: 14.5%

ACCLAIM 96 Points - Stephen Tanzer, *Vinous*, May 2020 93 Points - Robert Parker, Jr., *Robert Parker Wine Advocate*, December 2013

## VIGNERON NOTES

The 2010 vintage was a long season for ripening after a beautiful flowering. This vintage will live for a long time — yet this racy, powerful, elegant wine can also be appreciated young. This vintage is a great example of what Sonoma can do with a diversity of soils and a grandiose climate. Harvest took place between September 25 and October 16, 2010.

– Pierre Seillan, Vigneron