

# 2010 Decoy Sonoma County Merlot

## Comments from the Winemaker

For more than three decades, Duckhorn Vineyards has been crafting exceptional Merlots. Drawing on our winemaking team's expertise working with this varietal, the 2010 Decoy Sonoma County Merlot is lush and enticing with aromas that strike an appealing balance between vibrant cranberry and deeper, dark berry notes, with sophisticated hints of white pepper and forest floor. The palate is rich and beautifully structured, offering a lush core of dark, ripe fruit wrapped in smooth, firmly textured tannins.

#### Varietal Content

80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

#### **Harvest Information**

Harvest Dates: September 20 — October 18, 2010 Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.7° Brix

# Cooperage

100% French Oak Château-Style Barrels (60 Gallons) 12 months in 5% New Oak

## Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5% 0.56 g/100 ml titratable acidity pH: 3.68

Bottled: November 2011 Released: December 2011

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