

2012 Decoy Sonoma County Merlot

For more than three decades, Duckhorn Vineyards has been crafting exceptional Napa Valley Merlot reflecting the rich diversity of the valley's many appellations Drawing on our winemaking team's expertise working with this varietal, Decoy Sonoma County Merlot is a lush and inviting wine highlighting the elegance of the varietal from another exceptional growing region.

Comments from the Winemaker

This appealing wine offers classic Merlot aromas of ripe plum and red cherry, with hints of caramel, white pepper and graphite. On the palate, lush red fruit layers are supported by excellent tannins and seamlessly integrated oak.

Varietal Content

82% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Petit Verdot, 4% Cabernet Franc

Harvest Information

Harvest Dates: September 29 — October 27, 2012 Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.2° Brix

Cooperage

100% French Oak Château-Style Barrels (60 Gallons) 12 months in 35% New Oak

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 13.5% 0.57 g/100 ml titratable acidity pH: 3.69

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