



2010 Syrah

Santa Barbara County

Tasting Notes

The 2010 Santa Barbara County Syrah combines fruit from all 6 of the Syrah vineyards we work with. More than a sum of its parts, it is dark and rich. This year's vintage has a little Petite Sirah blended in to add power and complexity, and a little Viognier for added finesse. It is a serious wine that is approachable in its youth. Sharing the same farming and winemaking techniques as our vineyard designated wines, it is a wine of great complexity.

Technical Information

Vineyard	Tierra Alta Vineyard, Ballard Canyon/Santa Ynez Larner Vineyard, Ballard Canyon/Santa Ynez Verna's Vineyard, Cat Canyon/Los Alamos Valley Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley Ampelos Vineyard, Santa Rita Hills Thompson Vineyard, Alisos Canyon/Los Alamos	43.2% 22.6% 15.1% 8.6% 7.5% 3.3%
Harvest	Tierra Alta: November 5, 27.0 brix, 3.7 pH Larner: November 9-November 19, 24.2-25.2 brix, 3.7-3.75pH Verna's: October 21-November 19, 23.0-26.5 brix, 3.5-3.7 pH Bien Nacido: November 10-November 24, 22.5-24.2 brix, 3.3-3.4 pH Ampelos: October 22-November 24, 21.0-26.0 brix, 3.45-3.8 pH Thompson: October 21-October 22, 24.0-24.5 brix, 3.5-3.6 pH	
Clone	Estrella Clone, Shiraz Clone 1, Clone 877, Clone 174, Clone 383	
Composition	95% Syrah, 3% Petite Sirah, 2% Viognier	
Fermentation	92% of fruit was stemmed, not crushed. Intact, whole berries fermented in small boxes for 14 days after a 48 hour cold soak. 8% of fruit foot stomped and whole cluster fermented.	
Barrel Aging	Mostly neutral French and American barrels. Aprox. 2% new oak.	
Cellar notes	Unfined, lightly filtered.	
Bottling Date	September 4-5, 2011	
Production	2,268 cases (375ml, 750ml, 1.5L)	