



**2009 NAPANOOK** Napa Valley  
Napanook Vineyard, Yountville, CA

#### **TASTING NOTE**

The 2009 vintage is vibrant and complex, filled with notes of plum, black cherry and earthy tobacco. Pure and precise on the palate, aromas of chocolate and lightly toasted almond complement firm tannins throughout the long finish.

#### **VINTAGE SUMMARY**

2009 was an ideal season. Plentiful rainfall in February and May abated winter drought concerns, and a mild spring with few temperature fluctuations contributed to even bud break and healthy bloom. Summer temperatures were consistently warm, without excessive heat spikes, and a long Indian summer allowed the berries to develop perfect complexity and ripeness. Harvest was an intense effort, beginning on October 5th and was completed on October 12th, just before the heavy rainfall on October 13th.

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| Blend:               | Cabernet Sauvignon: 87%, Petit Verdot: 8%, Cabernet Franc: 5% |
| Harvest Start:       | October 5   |
| Harvest End:         | October 12  |
| Bottling Date:       | June 2011   |
| Percent New Barrels: | 20%   |
| Cases Produced:      | 3700  |
| Release Date:        | May 2012  |

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