

DARMS LANE

Napa Valley



2010 LINDA'S HILLSIDE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: The Estate Bon Passe Vineyard is located in the southwestern bench lands of Napa Valley, in the Oak Knoll District appellation. The vineyard is comprised of both hillsides and valley floor, with varying soil types. As a result, we harvest our six blocks separately to take advantage of the different lots and add complexity to our wines.

APPELLATION: Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley

GROWING SEASON NOTES: 2010 was one of the coolest vintages on record with mild temperature for most of the season. Attention to detail during this season was key to maximize fruit character and avoid threats created by cooler temperature and rain. We carefully picked our fruit leaving a lot of it behind (mostly unripe) from October 21 to 24, taking advantage of the warm weather and avoiding the rain.

VARIETAL: 97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKER: Brian Mox

BARREL AGING: 20 months in Oak – 60% new: 90% French, 10% American

WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES: Dark ruby in color, our 2010 Linda Hillside opens up on copious notes of herbs de Provence, cigar box, licorice and blackberries. This attractive Cabernet sauvignon is still in its infancy offering abundant tannins and remarkable finesse. Drink now after decanting or age for a few years in your cellar.

PRODUCTION: 72 cases