

## 2010 SIGNATURE – ESTATE CUVÉE

“Signature” is the winemaker’s hallmark blend of the vintage that is unconstrained by convention to create a memorable, ageworthy wine of distinction and balance – in other words the signature wine of the vintage. This year’s blend is made from Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. Cabernet Sauvignon hails from the Bordeaux area whereas Syrah originates from Southern France. Both varieties are known for their intense color and for delivering a generous amount of flavor and rich tannins that will continue to develop with proper aging.

The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from our Adelaida Springs Ranch located in the rugged coastal mountains west of Paso Robles. Here, at an elevation of 1,700 feet and just 12 miles from the Pacific Ocean, the ranch’s small vineyard is planted in calcareous soils, resulting from uplifted ancient sea beds. The Syrah was selected from the Ryan Road Vineyard, located at 1,500 feet in elevation just east of Creston. The vines are rooted in calcareous rich soils and are grown under very dry conditions. Both vineyards have very limiting soils that produce tiny berries, low yields and intense, concentrated wines. This vintage reflects the 8th anniversary of this limited-production Estate Cuvée aged in selected tight grain French oak barrels for 20 months.

### TASTING NOTES

- Color:** Deep garnet  
**Aroma:** Dark cherry and plum with hints of cola, mocha and white pepper  
**Taste:** Medium-bodied with a dense, structured mouthfeel; berry and mocha flavors with chalky tannins

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Serve at: 62° – 65° F  
 Enjoy now through 2025  
 Store in dark dry place at 55° – 65° F  
 Decanting recommended  
 Pairing suggestions: Braised beef, venison Osso Bucco, grilled lamb

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Harvest date	Brix <sup>o</sup>	Vineyard	Blend
09.30.10-10.15.10	25.7	Adelaida Springs Ranch	Cabernet Sauvignon 51%
		Ryan Road	Syrah 49%

- Aging:** 20 months in French oak barrels  
**Bottling date:** 06.26.12  
**Release date:** 09.02.13  
**Cases produced:** 326  
**Alcohol:** 14.8%  
**pH:** 3.60  
**Total acidity:** 6.3 g/L



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Matthias Gubler, Winemaker

*Savor the distinctive fruit flavors and firm tannins of this rich, ageworthy wine.*