



WINDSOR SONOMA

2010 CABERNET SAUVIGNON ALEXANDER VALLEY

THE APPELLATION

Named for pioneer Cyrus Alexander, this appellation is located at the northern end of Sonoma County and runs 22 miles long, varying in width from two to seven miles. The area's rugged terrain is recognized as one of the New World's premier growing regions for Bordeaux varietals. The warmer inland temperatures of this mountainous region are cooled at night by the maritime air that flows from the coast up the Russian River, which winds from the north to the south of Alexander Valley. This daily convergence of temperatures creates a myriad of varying microclimates ideal for this variety, as world-class Cabernet Sauvignon grapes thrive along the rolling hillsides and all the way up the mountain ridges. The soil is shallow and rocky, adding impressive depth and concentration to the character of this variety.

THE WINE

Varietal Composition	82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Malbec
Alcohol	14.1%
Harvest Dates	September 30 – October 3rd
Brix at Harvest	23.9
Barrel Aging	22 months in French oak (55% New)
Bottling Date	July 18th, 2012
Total Acidity	0.62 g/100mL
pH	3.65
Production	2,000 cases

TASTING NOTES

The 2010 Windsor Sonoma Alexander Valley Cabernet has soft, well integrated, tannins and a velvety texture. It opens Classic notes of Bing cherry, briar wood and baking spice, with an undercurrent of cassis and pencil shavings. On the pallet, the wine is silky in its tannins, up front with its fruit and lingering with its finish. As with all Windsor Sonoma wines, the emphasis is on balance and drinkability with enough complexity and depth to reward the avid collector. With the structure of this wine, ageability is perfect, drinkable now through 2025

