TASTING NOTES 2010



STILING VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

touch lighter on its feet, it offers all the rich fruitiness of its older sibling with the same slow-evolving personality that earns it a later release date each year. Quite tasty now, we nonetheless recommend another year or so of age before digging into your stash.

LABEL ARTIST: Libby Black



A dark, rich red in hue, the nose offers up classic strawberry, cola nut and cinnamon with whispers of cigar box and wild mushrooms. Bold flavor and texture envelop the palate, featuring more strawberry, tart cherry and cranberry, followed by Stiling's signature baking spices. Excellent acidity balances the richness and will support it throughout the meal and the coming years in your cellar.

If you enjoyed our '09 Stiling, the 2010 is a slam dunk. Similar in depth while a

DRINKING WINDOWS: Prime drinking: late 2013 to 2016

Graceful ageability: 2017+

STATS: pH: 3.64 | TA: 6.2 g/L | Alcohol: 14.6%

Bottling: December 7, 2011 | Release: Fall 2012

Cases Produced: 222

SONOMA COAST CHARDONNAY

SONOMA COUNTY

LABEL ARTIST: Yellena James



Ever since our inaugural 2003 Sonoma Coast chardonnay, this bottling has showcased the citrusy side of the varietal and 2010 is no exception. Careful selection of 33% new French oak provides structural support while keeping the fruit center stage.

Pale gold with a tinge of green around the edges, fresh aromas of lemon, lime, meringue, sweet apple and honeysuckle are followed by a lemon-lime palate that adds enticing notes of apricot, peach, kiwi and pear. A bright, clean and smooth finish accentuates the purity. The wine drinks well already, but we expect it to really shine over the next couple of years.

DRINKING WINDOWS: Prime drinking: early 2013 to 2015

Graceful ageability: 2016 to 17

STATS: pH: 3.43 | TA: 6.1 g/L | Alcohol: 14.3%

Bottling: December 6, 2011 | Release: Fall 2012

Cases Produced: 150