

MIRROR
Napa Valley

HOWELL MOUNTAIN

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2010

mirror (mir-er) n: 1) a polished or smooth surface that forms images by reflection,
2) a true representation

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Cimarossa Vineyard on Howell Mountain rises 2,100 feet above sea level and about 1,800 feet above the valley floor. The aromas and bouquet of this Cabernet Sauvignon are a complex and rich blend of blackberry jam, fresh blueberries, dry rose petals complimented with glimmers of nutmeg, cinnamon and cedar. The palate follows with a concentrated core of dark berries, baking spices, and dark chocolate with hints of dry grass and California Bay Laurel. The balanced acid, fruit, and beautifully ripe mountain tannins deliver a powerful yet elegant, evolving sensory experience that will leave a clean and lasting finish on the palate.

The grapes were destemmed, hand sorted and whole berry processed to manage tannin extraction. 16 days of fermentation with multiple gentle punch downs extract color and flavor compounds from the skins. Barrel aged 22 months in 100% French Oak, three quarters new oak and one quarter neutral oak. Sur lies for two months during initial aging.

We are very excited about the 2010 Mirror Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon and hope you find it as intriguing as we do.



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