



*Bottled with love, for the joy of living.*

WINEMAKER  
*Michael Muscardini*

BLEND  
70% Cabernet Sauvignon  
30% Merlot

CASES PRODUCED  
470

BOTTLED  
February 9, 2012

pH  
3.54

ALCOHOL  
14.7%

## 2010 RANCHO SALINA

RANCHO SALINA VINEYARDS  
SONOMA VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY

### VINEYARD

Rancho Salina is a hillside winegrape growing estate located two miles north of historic Sonoma Plaza, on the western slopes of the Mayacamas Range at an elevation of 800+ feet above sea level. Grape grower Joe Votek and investor Dom Paino have combined their own talents to produce these premium quality grapes which make up this outstanding wine.

### VINTAGE

2010 Vintage was a changing year weather wise. We worked overtime in the vineyards and it show in the quality of the grapes.

### WINEMAKING

We fermented both the cabernet sauvignon and merlot separately then blended together 3 months before bottling. We used 30% new French oak barrels.

### TASTING NOTES

Vibrant aromas of ripe boysenberry, blackberry, dark chocolate, and sweet toasted oak. With big, round and juicy flavors of dark fruits, plum, red currant, black licorice, rosemary, fresh ground pepper; chewy tannins; and a soft, silky texture that follows through to a long, elegant finish. Enjoy this wine with braised meats, rack of lamb, roasted vegetables, fresh pasta with wild mushroom ragu, or hard cheeses. This is an elegant wine that is wonderful now, but will also age extremely well.

### AWARDS

2012 California State Fair: Gold, 94 points  
2012 Orange County Wine Competition: Gold

Drink now, or cellar for three to five years.

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