



2010 La Sirena Cabernet Sauvignon Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet

Cabernet Sauvignon is our flagship wine for La Sirena. A wonderful follow-up to our highly regarded 2009 vintage, this wine continues to display the elegance, balance, and beautiful opulence expected from Heidi Barrett. "Cabernet Sauvignon is what I am best known for and what I have built my 30+ year reputation on." (and her favorite wine to make). Cabernet lovers will recognize the winemaking style which is quite similar to the Screaming Eagle wines Heidi made in the past with a very similar blend profile.

Tasting Notes: Tasted 08/05/13 by HPB

The 2010 Cab has a dark, dense, rich ruby red color. Aromas are intense; deep ripe wild blackberry and black cherry, currants, and toasty caramel sweetness from a mix of new and used French oak barrels. Hints of fresh roasted espresso beans and spice leads to a silky yet vibrant mouthful of delicious Cabernet. The wine opens up in the glass and just keeps growing so enjoy the ride! Flavors across the palate mirror the aromas with a seamless, dense yet silky impression. Lightly mouth coating tannins linger in the strikingly long finish, adding structure and texture without dryness. The overall impression is of a big luxurious Cabernet with impeccable balance and finesse. The blend has Cab Sauv, Merlot, Petit Verdot, and Cab Franc in proportions to complete a beautiful, classically made, age-worthy Napa Valley Cab Sauv. Enjoy!

Just the Facts:

Harvest Dates : Oct 1 - Oct 20, 2010

Blend : 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7.3% Merlot, 3.7% Petit Verdot, 2% Cab Franc

Some Chemistry : 14.6% alc., T.A. 6.2, pH 3.72

100% French oak barrels, 22 months, variety of coopers and ages

Bottling date: June 25, 2012 Release date: September 1, 2013

Production: **479cs.**, 120 magnums all etched, gold leaf, and signed, 8 Double mags (inquire)

Why "**La Sirena**"? The name means "the Mermaid" in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I was looking for something fun and magical (like wine) and because I love to scuba dive as well as make wine. Our first vintage of La Sirena was 1994, making only a couple hundred cases of Sangiovese through 1999. We introduced the first Cabernet Sauvignon with the 1996 vintage, first Syrah vintage 2000, first dry Muscat 2003. Our current lineup of five wines includes: **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "**Le Barrettage**" **Syrah**, **Moscato Azul** (dry Muscat Canelli), and our proprietary blends; **Pirate TreasuRed** and our charity wine, **ART BUS**. Production is always small, focusing on fine hand-made wines of purity and excellence, the best that can be made. Wishing you all the best!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Heidi P. Barrett' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Heidi Peterson Barrett
Winemaker, La Sirena