



Wine Profile
Moone-Tsai 2010 Black List-2 Cabernet Sauvignon

Tasting Notes

On the heels of Black List-1, its bold, brooding predecessor; Black List-2 is a refined, graceful cabernet – whose ethereal aromas tease with notes of dark red fruits and earthy all-spice. While the wine’s initial mouth takes its time to unfold (decanting 30 minutes is suggested), patience will enjoy its reward ...and will allow for the wine to slowly reveal itself with notes of Bing cherry, dried cranberry, and hints of clove, graphite and minerality. Delicately framed by oak and with its understated tannins, the wine’s bearing is subtle, and closes with a gentle, pleasing finish.

The fruit for this two barrel-production is sourced from a small vineyard block located near the southern-most tip of the ridge that forms the western boundary of the Atlas Peak AVA, close to the head of Soda Canyon. This specific site is a hybrid between the appellations that it borders ...comprised of rocky volcanic soils endemic to Atlas Peak, and the deeper more fertile soils of its Oak Knoll neighbor. Located above the fog line, the region enjoys a microclimate characterized by cool days, warmer nights and a more uniform ripening period ...encouraging the production of truly outstanding fruit.

Winemaker: Philippe Melka, Bordeaux-bred (*Chateau Haut Brion, Petrus*) and— recently heralded by Robert Parker as one of the top nine winemakers in the world. *“Where possible, I will minimize winemaking techniques in the cellar so I can create a wine that tells the story of the vineyard. In the end, it must be about the fruit.”*

Wine Facts

Varietal Composition:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Vineyards:	Napa Valley
Production:	50 cases
Harvest Date:	October 21, 2010
Cooperage:	100% new French oak; Francois Freres, Taransaud
Bottle Date:	March 11, 2013
Release Date:	October 2013
Suggested Cellaring:	7-10 years, peaking in years 2-3

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