



**Wine Profile**  
**Moone-Tsai 2012 Black List-6**

**Tasting Notes**

This classic combination of cabernet sauvignon and merlot reflects its Bordeaux-blend inspiration while serving as an alluring testimonial to two exceptional vineyards. The cabernet for this wine hails from the site of an ancient landslide located on the steep hillsides of Dutch Henry Canyon. With merlot sourced from the Soda Canyon district just below Atlas Peak; the wine offers ripe blackberry, cassis flavors, hints of leather, and delicately roasted espresso beans. Layered but focused, the wine demonstrates a coyness and stylish complexity in a fashion that might suggest a worldly (or other-worldly!) Alicia Vikander. With its 24 months of aging in 50% new French oak, and finely grained tannins, the wine will invite you to appreciate its teasingly persistent finish.

Aged 24 months in 50% new French oak, the powdery tannins and delicate oak provide the wine with noticeable length and an uplifting finish.

**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:	60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
Vineyards:	St. Helena, Soda Canyon
Production:	50 cases
Harvest Date:	October 8 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2012
Cooperage:	50% new French oak (24 months); St. Martin, Fr. Freres, Taransaud, Baron
Bottle Date:	January 27, 2015
Release Date:	September 7, 2015

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