



**Wine Profile**  
**Moone-Tsai 2010 Black List-I**

**Tasting Notes**

The nose of our inaugural Black List wine opens with floral notes, and hints of dark fruit, and pipe smoke. In the mouth, this tease gives way to a tantalizing blend of ripe blueberry, wild strawberry, and a touch of licorice. With its pleasing palate weight, light acidity and refined tannins, the wine is both juicy and big, while delivering notable length and a powerful finish.

Using prized cabernet from specially designated rows amidst some of Philippe's favorite Coombsville vineyard blocks found in Caldwell Vineyard's venerable Block-18; Black List-I nobly demonstrates the delicate balance between fruit expression and natural acidity that comes from this distinct region characterized by its curiously cooler climate, and layered soils of cobbled loams and volcanic ash. With only 51 cases made, Black List-I represents the most limited production wine in the Moone-Tsai portfolio.

**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:	Coombsville District
Production:	51 cases
Harvest Date:	November 5, 2010
Cooperage:	100% new French oak (26 months); St. Martin, Fr. Freres, Taransaud
Bottle Date:	March 11, 2013
Release Date:	April 2013

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