



## SAINT HELENA WINERY

### 2010 Sympa Reserve Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

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Winemaker Notes:	<i>By Aaron Pott &amp; Elizabeth Tangney</i>  Dense purple color precedes aromas of black cherry, pomegranate and cassis. Lush and structured mid palate with flavors of black plum and currant and notes of toffee and subtle bay leaf. The texture is velvety and weighty with chewy tannins on the lengthy finish.
Varietal:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon, Backus cutting of See clone
AVA:	St. Helena, Napa Valley
Vineyard:	Estate vineyard on Napa Valley floor on Pratt Avenue in the St. Helena AVA. Sympa is grown on the south parcel, "Block 1," on a ribbon of gravel that is an ancient river bed with deep, light soils that stress the vines into low fruit production.. The vines are cane pruned and hand-tended to yield two clusters per shoot. The parcel yields two tons per acre. Cover crops are primarily legumes . Irrigation is light and determined by monitoring vine sap flow throughout the season. Our estate vineyard is managed by Elizabeth Tangney and our own small crew, with consulting from winemaker Aaron Pott and vineyard guru, Jim Barbour.
Winemaking:	Hand-picked fruit, double sorted to berry level Cold soak before fermentation, 5 days D254 yeast fermentation 14 days extended maceration Racked twice
Barrel Aging:	22 months in French Oak barrels: Bossuet, Darnajou
Alcohol:	14.5%
Bottling date:	August, 2012

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