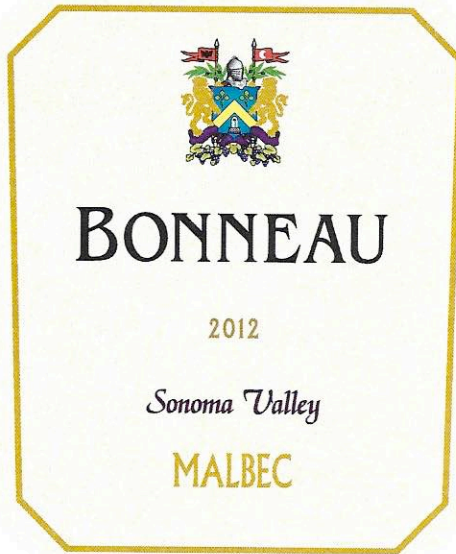




BONNEAU WINES

2012 Sonoma Valley

MALBEC



About the Winery

Bonneau Winery is operated by the third generation of Bonneaus with family history dating back to the early 1920s in the Sonoma-Los Carneros appellation. The Bonneaus originally came to America from the vineyard lands of Bordeaux, France and began farming a 70 acre parcel of land just south of the town of Sonoma. After growing and providing Chardonnay grapes to several well-known wineries in both Sonoma and Napa, the family launched its own label in 2002.

This rare combination of Malbec grapes were harvested from both the north and south ends of Sonoma Valley offering the influences of the cooler, southern exposure, complemented by the longer ripening time in the warmer northern valley. Winery operations take place in the town of Sonoma.

John Bambury is the Director of Winemaking and handles all the winemaking responsibilities.

The Vineyard

Names: Hunter (Sonoma Valley) & Hernandez (Sonoma Carneros)
Appellation: Sonoma Valley
Clone: 4 & 11
Spacing: 7' rows x 5' vines
Training: Cordon
Yield: 4T per acre

The Harvest

Date: October 19, 2012 Hunter,
October 29, 2012 Hernandez
Grapes: 100% Malbec
Sorted: Berry sorted by hand
Brix at Harvest: 24.3 & 23

The Production

Fermentation: Cold soaked for 3 days, fermented in small batch
Barrels: French oak barrels, 50% new oak
Coopers: Saury & Seguin Moreau
Aged: 24 months
Production: 361 cases

Wine Profile

Alcohol: 13.9%
TA: .57 g/100ml
pH: 3.67
RS: .1 g/100ml

Winemaker Notes: Our 2012 Malbec grapes were harvested from the Hunter Vineyard in Sonoma Valley and the Hernandez Vineyard in Sonoma Carneros appellations. The grapes were picked at full maturity and optimal ripeness in order to take advantage of their deep, rich varietal flavors. Its dark red garnet color and purple hues alludes to the wine's intensity and structural depth. It has enticing aromas and flavors of mountain blueberries, blackberries, black raspberries, baking spice, anise, and sweet vanilla oak. The wine is medium-bodied, succulent and juicy on the palate, with fully integrated tannins, well-balanced acidity, and a full mouth feel. Its flavors reflect its aromas and they resonate across the palate with an explosion of berry flavors, spice, oak and a lingering finish.

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