



WICKED Tasting Notes

Friday, November 23 - Decoy Wines by Duckhorn

Twenty years ago the Duckhorn Wine Company introduced us all to Decoy Napa Valley Red Wine. Since that time, Decoy has built a reputation for producing great quality wines at a remarkable prices. Decoy has established a loyal following for its distinctive style, which emphasizes ready-upon-release wines that are capable of expressing their full charm and complexity in their youth.

We think these wines are perfect to pair with any meal, at any time ... here are the winemaker's notes, you be the judge!



2010 Chardonnay - *Regular Price \$21.99; through December 31st, just \$19.99*

Produced by Winemaker, Neil Bernardi - a cool-climate Chardonnay specialist - Decoy Chardonnay explores the diversity of the Sonoma County winegrowing region, while allowing Neil greater flexibility during the blending process. Made from a careful selection of top Sonoma County Chardonnay, with an emphasis on grapes from the cooler Sonoma Coast, this fresh and attractive wine displays aromas of white flowers, green apple with hints of exotic grapefruit, guava, flint, and wet stone. There is great flavor impact on the palate with fresh and lively acidity, it is ideal for youthful enjoyment.

2011 Pinot Noir - *Regular Price \$23.99; through December 31st, just \$21.99*

Building on the traditions established by Duckhorn's acclaimed Goldeneye and Migration Pinot Noir, Decoy Pinot Noir continues Duckhorn Wine Company's exploration of the depth and diversity of Sonoma County winegrowing. This enticing wine showcases lovely aromas of strawberry, sun-dried cherry and blueberry with hints of tobacco, earth and mint. The bright cherry notes continue on the palate, alongside flavors of cranberry, cola and plum, while a streak of vibrant acidity contributes to this Pinot's freshness, structure and delicious length.

2010 Merlot - *Regular Price \$26.99; through December 31st, just \$21.99*

the 2010 Decoy Sonoma County Merlot is lush and enticing with aromas that strike an appealing balance between vibrant cranberry and deeper, dark berry notes, with sophisticated hints of

white pepper and forest floor. The palate is rich and beautifully structured, offering a lush core of dark, ripe fruit wrapped in smooth, firmly textured tannins.

80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

2010 Red Blend - *Regular Price \$26.99; through December 31st, just \$21.99*

For more than three decades, Duckhorn Vineyards has been crafting exceptional Napa Valley Merlot. The 2010 vintage has yielded a voluptuous wine with alluring aromas of blackberry, blueberry, black currant and raspberry, supported by holiday spice notes of cinnamon, nutmeg and cardamom. On the palate, this wine is lush and juicy, with a fleshy mid-palate and soft, velvety tannins. Subtle oak-inspired elements of cedar and walnut accentuate the rich dark fruit flavors, giving them an enticing berry pie/cobbler quality.

52% Merlot, 46% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot

2010 Cabernet Sauvignon - *Regular Price \$26.99; through December 31st, just \$21.99*

Reflecting the character of each growing season, the Decoy Napa Valley Cabernet is made to be opened and enjoyed upon release. It is rich and appealing with fragrant, lifted aromas of mulberry, raspberry and currant with hints of rhubarb and mocha. The soft-toned fruit flavors dominate the plush and inviting palate with engaging spice complexity. This supple and approachable wine has a lingering finish framed by structured tannins.

96% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot

2010 Zinfandel - *Regular Price \$23.99; through December 31st, just \$21.99*

This Sonoma County wine offers raspberry jam aromas, as well as hints of vanilla, clove and white pepper. Like a fresh-baked berry tart, the raspberry notes continue on the palate where they are supported by sweet oak and spice flavors that carry through to the finish. This is a lovely Zinfandel expressing both richness and balance.

