



2011 MALBEC
HAYSTACK VINEYARD
ATLAS PEAK
NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD INFORMATION

This estate vineyard, nestled in Atlas Peak, is named for the iconic flat-topped, haystack-like hill which marks this growing region from afar. Atlas Peak is Napa Valley's highest appellation and sits 1,500 feet above sea level in the Vaca Mountains. This craggy, extremely rocky site stresses the vines, resulting in small, intensely concentrated berries and low yields. Only 6 acres of this vineyard is planted to Malbec.

2011 GROWING SEASON

The 2011 growing season began with a wet cool spring. Rainfall lasted into the middle of June affecting bloom and diminishing yields in many vineyards. The cool weather trend continued all summer delaying ripening throughout Napa Valley. Since we are estate, we diligently monitor all our vineyards, adjusting our viticultural practices frequently. It was necessary to significantly open up the vine canopies to ensure adequate sun exposure, air circulation and ripening. Overall flavors in the grapes were achieved at lower sugar levels making lower alcohol wines that exhibit finesse and balance.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

"Our Haystack Malbec offers a unique varietal not often found in the Napa Valley. The wine showcases juicy black fruit and floral aromatics beautifully balanced by rich, dark fruit and licorice flavors. It has a very round and soft mouthfeel not typically associated with mountain fruit."
- Mario Monticelli

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Malbec

HARVEST DATES: October 18, 2011

COOPERAGE: 18 months, 100% French oak (50% new)

RELEASE DATE: March 2014

ALC: 14.5% | PH: 3.89 | TA: 5.7 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 300

SUGGESTED RETAIL: \$50

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NAPA VALLEY

Est. 1948

Wines bearing the Trincherio Napa Valley label are luxury class, single-vineyard, wines from our Napa Valley estates. Each is carefully handcrafted and produced in limited quantities. We source our grapes from more than 100 acres of estate vineyards in prime Napa Valley appellations, including St. Helena, Mount Veeder, Rutherford and Atlas Peak. The Trincherio family has been making wine in the Napa Valley since 1948, and Trincherio Napa Valley serves to honor the legacy of founder Mario Trincherio.
