

# SEQUUM

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### 2007 Four Soil Melange, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

**TASTING NOTES:** The 2007 Sequum Cabernet Four Soil M $\acute{e}$ lange reflects physiologically ripe Cabernet grapes. The wine is balanced, and varietally correct with obvious and intended restraint in terms of manipulation. This wine is terroir driven, with an earthy, mineral quality that suggests the soils from which the grapes came. Complex aromas of considerable weight and intensity are suggestive of forest floor, cedar, tobacco and dried cherry. An immediate sense of body and texture upon entry gives way to flavors of powdered cocoa, vanilla, and dried cherries. A very firm structure is just soft enough to be approachable. The wine achieves a superlative seamless balance and a seductive lingering after taste with lovely hints of ripe black fruit.

**WINEGROWING INFORMATION:** The 2007 growing season was excellent. Days were sunny and dry, promoting even ripeness. Temperatures were mild, with no heat spikes over 100 degrees. Nights were cool, usually in the low 50s, helping to preserve the grapes refreshing acids.

Our Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were harvested from four distinct Napa Valley vineyards located in four separate appellations from September 24<sup>th</sup> through October 13<sup>th</sup> at an average 25.5 degrees Brix. The appellations are Spring Mountain, Stag's Leap, Rutherford and St. Helena. Each lot was fermented individually, aged in 50% new French oak for 18 months and then blended prior to bottling in September, 2009.

#### VINEYARDS:

##### **Spring Mountain**

Seventeen year old vines

Clone 337 on 110R rootstock

Cordon trained and spur pruned to a vertical shoot positioned trellis

Drip irrigated

Soil: *Aiken*

*The Aiken soil is volcanic in origin and found in the mountain regions of Napa Valley AVA. The Aiken is a moderately deep, well drained, loam to clay loam soil that displays a bright red-brown color throughout its profile.*

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VINEYARDS (cont.):

## **Stag's Leap**

Eleven year old vines  
Clone 337 on 1103 P rootstock  
Cordon trained and spur pruned to a lyre trellis system  
Drip irrigated

Soil: *Bale*

*The Bale soil is an alluvial soil found on fans and terraces along the Napa River in the valley floor appellations of the Napa Valley AVA. The Bale is a deep, somewhat poorly drained, loam to gravelly sandy loam soil with several gray-brown to brown colored horizons.*

## **Rutherford**

Eleven year old vines  
Clone 8 on 110R rootstock  
Cordon trained and spur pruned to V-Trellis with cross arms at 12" & 20"  
Drip irrigated

Soil: *Bressa*

*The Bressa soil is a residual soil formed from weathered sandstone and found on the side slopes of Napa Valley. The Bressa is a moderately deep, well-drained, silt loam soil with light brown to dark brown colors throughout.*

## **St. Helena**

Thirty five year old vines  
Bella Oaks Clone on St. George rootstock  
Cane pruned to a two wire vertical trellis  
Drip irrigated

Soil: *Cortina*

*The Cortina soil is a relatively young alluvial soil found on fans and old flood plains of the Napa River and its tributaries. The Cortina is a deep, excessively drained, stratified, gravelly sandy loam to very gravelly loamy sand soil with light gray brown to olive brown colors.*

## **OTHER DATA**

Production: 339 cases (12/750 ml. per case)

Release Date: Late Fall, 2010