



THE GRADE
CELLARS

THE GRADE Cabernet Sauvignon 2010



Variety:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Napa Valley Calistoga AVA
Proprietors:	Brenda Mixson & Tom Thornton
Winemaker:	Thomas Rivers Brown
Release Date:	October 2013
Release Price:	\$120 retail per 750ml
Vineyard:	Winfield Vineyard (100% Estate Grown) Old Toll Road, Calistoga, CA
Harvest Date:	Block 1: Oct 13, 2010; B5: Oct 20, 2010
Vines:	Block 1 – Clone 7/Rootstock 110R Block 5 – Clone 337/Rootstock SO4
Cooperage:	100% French Oak, Treuil & Jarnac (30% new)
Aging:	20 months; Bottled July 19, 2012
Panel: Acidity	14.5% Alcohol; 3.60 pH; 6.0 g/L Titratable Acidity
Production:	270 cases

Winemaker's Tasting Notes:

The 2010 vintage was long & cool, a stark contrast to the ones preceding it. Fortunately, the Winfield Vineyard is situated in a warm, exposed pocket of Calistoga that captures afternoon sun and warmth well. The 2010 The Grade Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon is a perfect example of everything the vintage was and had to offer. The traditional hallmarks of dark fruit and fine tannin are present, mixed with remarkable concentration and density. Tightly packed, there is plenty of stuffing to justify a long nap in your cellar, so patience, or a very generous decant if drinking in the near term, will be justly rewarded.