

MATERRA

CUNAT FAMILY VINEYARDS

2011 RIGHT BANK RESERVE

<i>appellation</i>	Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley
<i>varietal</i>	96% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec, 1% Cabernet Franc
<i>alcohol</i>	14.5 %
<i>bottling date</i>	July 2013
<i>case production</i>	1,000
<i>winemakers</i>	Michael Trujillo & Bruce Regalia
<i>suggested retail price</i>	\$44

the 2011 vintage

The 2011 growing season was certainly exciting. Unseasonably late rains into mid-June delayed bloom and resulted in shatter in many parts of the Valley. The cooler-than-average growing season combined with a later-than-average harvest occurring during late August and September rain storms. Fewer heat spikes than normal combined with well above average rainfall contributed to the lower yields. Due to diligent and adjusting farming practices, the erratic weather and lower yields did not result in compromises to the quality of the fruit.

accolades

TBA

winemaking notes

This classic Bordeaux blend combines all of the standard varietals of the region. Our estate grown Merlot acts as the backbone of this smooth fruit-forward wine with expressive notes of dark cherry, black licorice, cinnamon and chocolate. This vintage commences the official proprietary name for our flagship Merlot. Flavors and complexity will continue to develop for up to 10 years in the cellar.

