

2010 VINTAGE

*This vintage is a story that is easier
to read from end to beginning.*

Spring blossomed gloriously warm boosting the vines into *early budbreak*. Summer stayed warm occasionally punctuated by rain until the heat came in earnest with record highs. The first part of August cooled down with rain followed by sun until Labor Day when a late summer heat wave pushed temperatures back into the 90's. We achieved almost *record hang time* in most vineyards creating much work & green thinning passes in the vineyards to keep yields in line at an average of 2.5 tons per acre. It was a *long harvest* & the results can be tasted in the wines which exhibit elegance, beautiful balance & softness.

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