



# COQUEREL

## 2012 LA DOUCE REVANCHE

| NAPA VALLEY |

### OVERVIEW

Coquerel Family Wine Estates is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2005, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils makes this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Verdelho, Tempranillo and Petite Sirah. In addition to our estate fruit, we source Chardonnay, Cabernet and other noble grapes from a handful of premier growers throughout the Napa Valley.

### VINTAGE

The 2012 season was dryer than the previous two years. The last notable rain occurred in April and no frost after bud break was recorded. The set was excellent ensuring an abundant crop of healthy grapes – a welcome turn after the extremely low yields of 2011. Some thinning around veraison encouraged better vine balance. The summer was warm and even with no major heat spikes. Cool mornings and evenings towards the end of the growing season ensured full ripeness and firm acid levels. The fruit was harvested on October 5.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were gently de-stemmed, pressed and settled overnight before the juice was fermented in French oak barrel and aged on lees for 9 months with weekly battonage.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2012 La Douce Revanche is a lovely wine with a mineral nose, a hint of flint, with a note of apricot and almond. The wine has a crispy mouth, with a round mid palate and a long finish of fruit cocktail. La Douce Revanche is a lovely wine to be enjoyed on its own or as delicious accompaniment to fois gras, cheeses or dessert.

### STATISTICS

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|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| <b>COMPOSITION</b> .....  | 100% Sauvignon Blanc   | <b>TA</b> .....      | 6.58  |
| <b>REGION</b> .....       | Calistoga, Napa Valley | <b>pH</b> .....      | 3.35  |
| <b>FERMENTATION</b> ..... | 100% French oak barrel | <b>ALCOHOL</b> ..... | 13.4% |
|                           |                        | <b>RS</b> .....      | 4g/L  |

