



"We truly aspire to the highest quality in all we do, and nothing is more important to these goals than what we do with our wine. Our winemaker, Corey Beck, is the magician presiding over the great Francis Ford Coppola wines in Sonoma County."

—Francis Ford Coppola

FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION 2010 MALBEC

The Francis Coppola Diamond Collection began in 1997 as an ambitious endeavor to make wines of character and complexity at an affordable price. Sourced from California vineyards that not only have proven track records but are also managed according to our rigorous standards, Diamond Collection wines are classic California expressions that offer fruit-forward, multi-dimensional flavor and immediate drinkability. Our illustrious lineup includes eleven single-varietal wines, plus our flagship proprietary blends. These wines are a true labor of love—we invite you to share them with us.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

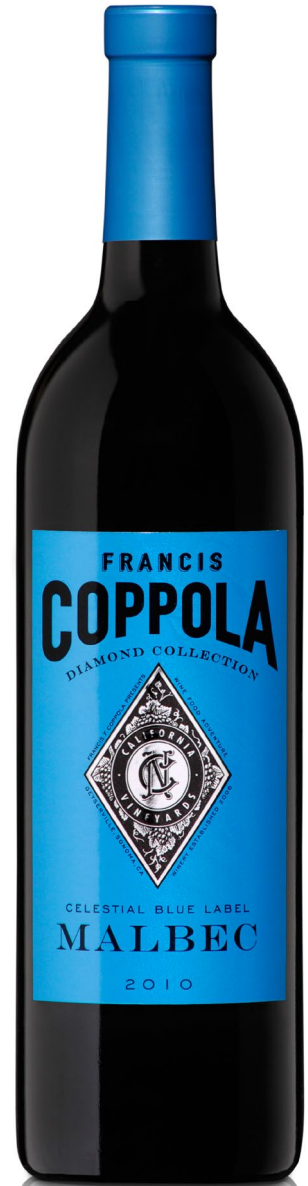
About five years back, Francis Coppola was on location in Argentina making a film when he fell in love with Malbec, their most prevalent varietal. When he returned to the U.S., he asked if we could start producing it as well. That's how we became one of the first California producers to bottle Malbec as a single varietal—we are proud that we helped start this growing trend. Having produced this varietal for quite a few years now, we've perfected our cultivation and winemaking methods, so you get a wine of amazing character and purity.

Malbec is less tannic than Cabernet, but more so than Merlot, giving it a powerful structure but more immediate drinkability. Our Malbec is grown in several coastal vineyards, which experience an abundance of afternoon sun and lengthy growing season. Like Cabernet, this varietal exudes dark, rich flavors of currants, black cherries and cassis as well as a unique mineral note that is quite distinct. This quality coupled with French oak aging gives Malbec an alluring spice element all its own.

TASTING PROFILE

Appearance Dark garnet
Aromas Plums, berries, earthy mineral tones
Flavors Cassis, cherries, anise, and espresso

Corey Beck, Winemaker



Appellation California
Blend 100% Malbec
Alcohol 13.5%
Barrel Regimen 12 months French oak
Released October 2011
Suggested Retail \$18.00

