

## 2009 MÉTISSE LA MEKERRA VINEYARD KNIGHTS VALLEY

The 2009 exhibits a pure expression of Cabernet franc, one of our favorite varietals. We harvested the Merlot and Cabernet franc in the last week of September under perfect conditions where the warm nights allowed full ripeness of the skin tannins. The aromatics are reminiscent of cherry, blueberry, violet, graphite and clove spice with a velvety texture boasting lots of ripe fruit character. This massive wine finishes with powerful integrated tannins and lasting berry flavors.

This wine captures the uniqueness of the La Mekerra Vineyard soils.

## 67% CABERNET FRANC, 33% MERLOT, 100% KNIGHTS VALLEY

Production: 175 cases

Bottling: August of 2011

Aging: 22 months 75% new French oak

Release: February 19, 2013

Suggested Retail: \$145.00

"The cabernet franc so suited to this soil has produced an expression of purity from this exceptional vineyard.

We are thrilled how the varietals coming from this site continue to mature and evolve."

- Cherie & Philippe Melka, proprietors