



GREYSCALE
W I N E S

2010
Napa Valley
C U V É E B L A N C

TASTING NOTES

Greyscale Cuvée Blanc is a wine similar to a Bordeaux Blanc. Marsanne was added to oak-fermented Sauvignon Blanc, producing a complex, serious food wine. Citrus and toasted vanilla aromas complement the lush, creamy, nutty tastes – with acidity that freshens up the round, lingering finish. Just as on the nose, the subtle toasty oak, melon and grapefruit notes give the wine multiple dimensions. Enjoy now or cellar for 3-5 years.

WINEMAKING NOTES

75% of the Sauvignon Blanc was fermented in a neutral French oak barrel where it underwent partial malolactic fermentation (25%). The wine spent a total of 15 months in oak with constant lees contact. The lees were stirred every 2-3 weeks for about 10 months. This process keeps the wine fresh as well as creating additional depth and complexity, especially on the finish. The remaining Sauvignon Blanc was aged in stainless steel, allowing the crisp, fresh fruit component to emerge. Marsanne was added to provide a richness, along with floral and honey notes.

BOTTLING

Date: May 4, 2012

Alcohol: 14.3%

PH: 3.2

Total Acidity: 7.0g/L

Released: September 1, 2012

GALLERON ROAD VINEYARD

Located in Rutherford, in the heart of the Napa Valley, the vineyard soils are a mosaic of gravelly loam and sand along with volcanic and marine sediments that provide excellent drainage. The wines display crisp citrus notes of grapefruit and lemon-lime, combined with minerality and herbaceous hints.

FRUIT/VINEYARD

90% Sauvignon Blanc (Galleron Road Vineyard)
10% Marsanne

HARVEST

Harvest Date: September 20, 2010

Brix: 23.2

PH: 3.19

Total Acidity: 7.9g/L

*“Wine is neither black nor white.
It’s always shades of grey”*



ABOUT GREYSCALE WINES

“Making wine is living our dream.

Growing up with a family vineyard,

avidly collecting wines for years, wine tasting in Bordeaux, and developing a curiosity about winemaking inspired us to create our own wine. In 2006, we met Kian Tavakoli, former winemaker at Clos du Val, who has helped us create small lots of premium Bordeaux style wines.”

Jean & Larry Rowe
Proprietors

ABOUT THE WINEMAKER
KIAN TAVAKOLI

With over 18 years of winemaking, operations and viticultural experience, Kian Tavakoli brings a stellar combination of sensory and production skills to Greyscale Wines. Having graduated with a degree in enology from UC Davis in 1992, Kian spent 4 years learning cabernet wine-making at Opus One before he became winemaker at Clos Du Val where he ran their red wine program including the highly acclaimed reserve bottlings. Kian’s passion for Bordeaux style wines is the perfect complement to our Greyscale family wine philosophy.



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