

# 2013 Decoy Sonoma County Merlot

For more than three decades, Duckhorn Vineyards has been crafting exceptional Napa Valley Merlot reflecting the rich diversity of the valley's many appellations Drawing on our winemaking team's expertise working with this varietal, Decoy Sonoma County Merlot is a lush and inviting wine highlighting the elegance of the varietal from another exceptional growing region.

### Comments from the Winemaker

Alluring aromas of black cherry and dark chocolate are complemented by savory notes and subtle hints of smoke. Graceful and velvety, this wine glides across the palate, with beautifully balanced acidity and tannins underscoring lush layers of fruit.

## Varietal Content

100% Merlot

#### **Harvest Information**

Harvest Dates: October 3-15, 2013 Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.0° Brix

#### Cooperage

100% French Oak Château-Style Barrels (60 Gallons) 10 months in 60% Neutral, 40% New Oak

#### Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 13.5%

Titratable acidity: 0.57g/100 ml

pH: 3.62

Bottled: August 2014 Released: April 2015

