

PARALLEL

2011 NAPA VALLEY RESERVE CABERNET "FIRST TEMPTATION"

93 Points - Cellar Selection - Wine Enthusiast

"Jammy, rich and leathery, this full-bodied, robust wine has a touch of smoke lingering in the back, beneath soft, well-integrated oak. Juicy, it's enjoyable now, while being structured enough to go another decade or so. Cellar through 2021."

"This wine is explosive on the nose with wild berries, chocolate, cookie dough, and dark cherries. Once on the palate the wine is dense, fleshy and powerful with a great concentration. The mid palate is showing powerful tannins and finishing with notes of sage and cloves. There is a lasting finish of crushed rocks and blueberries. The wine is showing very well right now and has a great aging potential." - Winemaker Philippe Melka

AVA: NAPA VALLEY

HARVEST: OCTOBER 21 & 26, 2011
FRUIT: 100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Brix at Harvest: 24.3

BOTTLING: FEBRUARY 18, 2014 **ALCOHOL:** 14.9 PH: 3.81

AGING: 27 MONTHS 100% NEW FRENCH OAK

PRODUCTION: 188 CASES 750ML,

39 CASES 375ML, 29 ETCHED MAGNUMS AND 15 ETCHED 3 LITERS

PRICE: \$138/BOTTLE

WINEMAKER: PHILIPPE MELKA



PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY AND "FIRST TEMPTATION: PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY CAPTURES THE ESSENCE OF THE LINES CARVED BY SKIS ON THE FIRST RUN OF THE DAY - AS ILLUSTRATED ON THE LABEL - THE COMMONALITIES BETWEEN NAPA VALLEY AND DEER VALLEY, AND PATH OF THE LIVES OF THE PARTNERS.