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MORRO BAY — Lodi, California

Split Oak Estates Cabernet Sauvignon

Grape Variety: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec

Vinification Process: The vineyards are hand-pruned by experienced work crews adept at spur selection. Green harvesting is determined based on the berry set for a particular vintage. In addition to green harvesting, shoot removal and leaf pulling are employed to further enhance flavor concentration. Machine harvesting is done at night allowing the grapes to cool and thus maximize the flavors/acidity and balance. All grapes are sorted via a sorting belt prior to being crushed. The wine sees 21 days of extended maceration, which allows forward fruit, extraction of complex flavors balanced by integrated tannins.

Description: This wine has a very developed, vibrant ruby-red color in the glass. The aroma is complex and expressive with layers of toffee, black cherry fruit and smoke. A silky mouthfeel with a broad palate of tannins is the heart of this wine and the best virtue of the Cabernet Sauvignon grape. Finishes with a nice linger of fruit and oak, letting the taster know they just had a wonderful glass of Cabernet.

Food Pairing: Excellent with strong cheeses, red sauces and beef.

Alcohol: 13.9%

Additional Winery Information: Morro Bay Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from several vineyards within the Lange Family estate. The Lange Family have been farming in the Lodi appellations for four generations dating back to the late 1800's. The location of the vineyard in Lodi provides for dramatic temperature shifts from day to night due to the influence of the delta breeze from San Francisco Bay. This allows for a slower maturation of the grapes resulting in a better balance of acidity and complexity in the taste profile.

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