

VALPORONE

2009 A traditional Amarone-style blend



At Mora Estate, we take alchemy to the next level. In combining our passions for food, wine and art, we channel our energies to offer you a stellar wine in a hand-painted bottle that when paired with a delicious meal creates the perfect synergy.

Varietals Corvina Veronese, Rondinella, Molinara & Negrara

Appellations Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

Vineyard details Three small vineyard blocks

Harvest method Hand selected and sorted as full moon was setting

Harvest date September 30, 2009

Average brix at harvest 22.5°

Winemaking details After havesting and prior to fermentation, grapes are placed on drying

> racks, stacked and left to dry for 90 days in a Zen-like environment. This method, known as appassimento, dates back to ancient Rome. In keeping with the traditional method, the grapes were crushed in January, followed by an extended fermentation and maceration (30 days) to

preserve freshness before barreling.

18 months in French oak barrels, plus cherry wood Aging details

Bottling date November 15, 2011

Alcohol 14.5%

Production 100 cases

Winemaker Fabiano Ramaci

Release date May 5, 2012

Retail Price \$175

Tasting Notes Layers of richly concentrated aromas fill your sense as you raise your glass

> to sip. First spicy dried cherry and dark plum, then a floral note of wild violets, and finally cranberry and toasty oak complete the layering effect. The smooth opulent entry reveals the same magical qualities found in the nose, plus more. A warm spiciness and caramelized essence surrounds the palate, enhancing the flavors as hints of almond, leather, Herbes de

Provence, tobacco and an orange essence join in.

Beneath the soft, round, velvety palate lays a structure of supple tannins and balanced oak Approachable now, this unique Amarone-style blend is built to age, and will become deeper, richer and more intense with gentle cellaring. We recommend decanting for at least 45 minutes before

serving.

Suggested Enjoy with a meal of braised veal cheeks served with roasted **Food Pairing** butternut squash polenta and fried leeks, or assorted artisan

cheeses and fresh fruit to complete a beautful meal or as a treat

after a long week.

