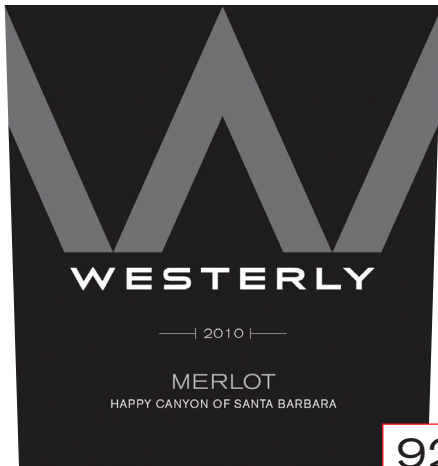


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2010 WESTERLY MERLOT HAPPY CANYON OF SANTA BARBARA



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POINTS*

COMPOSITION

- 76% Merlot
- 19% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 5% Cabernet Franc

A PALATE OF DRIED RED FRUITS AND BROWN SPICE ARE FRAMED WITH WELL INTEGRATED TANNINS. STRUCTURED AND BALANCED, THIS WINE WILL DRINK AT IT'S PEAK FROM 2013-2018.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Harvested by hand in late October, the grapes were hand-sorted, destemmed, and fermented as whole berries in small, open top stainless steel fermenters. The wine was drained and pressed after 24 days on the skins, and the wine was filled into 225 liter French oak barrels, 50% of which were new. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel. The wine was racked to blend after 12 months, and remained in barrel for a total of 18 months. Bottled unfinned & unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

The 2010 Merlot shows a polished and supple style. A palate of dried red fruits and brown spice are framed with well integrated tannins. Structured and balanced, this wine will drink at it's peak from 2013-2018.

* 92 Points, *Wine Enthusiast*