

## 2011 West Tuscan Cuvée



- Cabernet Sauvignon 60%, Dry Creek Valley
- Sangiovese 40%, Russian River Valley
- Sonoma County AVA
- Harvested October 2011
- Bottled February 2014
- Aged 26 months in French oak barrels
- Alc. 13.0%

**West Tuscan Cuvée** is our tribute to Italy. In Tuscany the Sangiovese grape has always been a staple in their Chianti wines. Modern Italian winemakers blend it with **Cabernet Sauvignon** to create their famed Super Tuscan wines.

**West Tuscan Cuvée** is a fun and festive wine, rich in flavors of cherries, strawberry and raspberry, some spicy notes of cloves and cinnamon and an earthy body with well-rounded tannins. The wine was aged 26 months in French oak barrels before being bottled.

The Cabernet Sauvignon is grown on our hillside property in the north end of Dry Creek Valley and the Sangiovese comes from Russian River, creating this Sonoma County AVA wine.

West Wines is a family owned winery in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County. Our winemaking style is inspired by French winemaking and we have been exporting wine to Europe since 2004. The grapes are hand harvested and meticulously sorted before crushing. We believe in sustainable practices such as minimizing the use of energy and water, utilizing solar power as well as natural agricultural methods.

The wine is made by **Katarina Bonde**, owner and **Phyllis Zouzounis** consulting winemaker. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County. Katarina has blended a Winemaker's certificate from UC Davis with hands on experience at West Wines.