ESTATE WINERY

Tasting Notes 2011 Syrah

Bud Break:

April 29, 2011

Veraison:

August 18, 2011

Oak Regime:

70% French, 30% American

Barrel Age:

40% new barrel, 40% one year old, 20% two year old

Primary Coopers:

Saury, Alain Fouquet, Okanagan Barrel Works

Harvest Dates:

October 19, 2011

Bottling Dates:

May 31, 2013

Alcohol:

13.1%

Winemaker's Notes

This wine offers aromas of cherry and dark fruit along with smoky undertones. The palate is full-bodied, round and smooth with well-integrated oak. Rich, dark fruit flavors of cherry, blackberry, black current and blueberry come together seamlessly with notes of coffee, chocolate and smoke on the lengthy finish. A fine pairing with roasted leg of lamb or grilled Sirloin burgers.

GRAHAM PIERCE, WINEMAKER

2011 Vineyard Notes

A mild winter and extended spring in 2011 provided optimal conditions for accelerated growth and an abundant crop. A generous primary growth allowed us to choose the most desirable clusters and reduce the crop load sooner. An early crop reduction and precise viticulture practices showed desirable ripening through the season. Hot, dry weather at the end of August and through September produced excellent flavour development and complexity.

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