

Tasting Notes

2012 Nota Bene

Bud Break:	April 25, 2012
Veraison:	August 14, 2012
Oak Regime:	80% French, 20% American
Barrel Age:	1/3 new barrel, 1/3 one year old and 1/3 two year old
Primary Coopers:	Radoux, Alain Fouquet and Saury
Harvest Dates:	October 12 to November 2, 2012
Bottling Dates:	August 27 - 29, 2013
Final Blend:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 35% Cabernet Sauvignon• 57% Merlot• 8% Cabernet Franc

Alcohol: 14.5%

Winemaker's Notes

This vintage exhibits plum, dark cherry, violet and cassis on the nose. On the palate it is full bodied with great acid structure, showing flavours of black fruits and chocolate backed by a hint of coffee. This was a great vintage producing a more masculine wine than previous vintages. It has a long finish and is an age friendly wine that would pair well with grilled game meat and roasted vegetables.

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2012 Vineyard Notes

A cool and humid spring started off the 2012 growing season which showed steady, concentrated growth in the vines. A lengthy dry spell followed, which enabled us to perfectly control the vigor and crop load in the vineyards. July and August brought us the desired temperatures and dry days which then extended far into the harvest season. One of the best years we have seen for flavour profiles, balanced ripeness and quality.

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