

2013 The Amadeus
Cabernet Sauvignon 90%, Merlot 6%, Shiraz 4%
Adelaide Hills

Wine Analysis

Winemaker: Greg Clack

Bottled: April 2015

Alcohol: 14.2%

Oak: 65% new, 2 and 3 year old French and
35% 2 and 3 year old seasoned French

Acid: 7.1g/L

pH: 3.40

Residual Sugar: 2.5g/L

Sulphur: 121 mg/L

Vineyard

The Cabernet was selected from a single vineyard in Kuitpo and from two blocks consisting of two different clones - G9V3 and LC10, the LC10 is planted on an Easterly Aspect while the G9V3 is planted on a Northerly Aspect and gives great depth and structure to the wine. Both blocks are grown with a single permanent catchwire to give greater airflow and light penetration. The Merlot is barrel selected from a single vineyard in Gumeracha while the Shiraz is selected from a single vineyard in Kuitpo, both were used to round out the palate and give a more seamless fruit presence in the wine.

Winery

The grapes were destemmed and cold soaked for 2 days prior to fermentation. The fruit was fermented in traditional open fermenters and pumped over twice daily with a few extra pump overs during peak ferment. The wine was pressed off skins with around 2 Baumé left to finish ferment then transferred straight to barrel to allow fermentation and MLF to complete. 10% of the blend was left on skins for 90 days to build texture, complexity and give a lift to the wine. The wine was racked and returned post MLF and returned on fine lees and allowed to undergo maturation for 20 months before bottling.

In the Glass

Deep red plum with a crimson cherry hue.

Bouquet

Rich dark fruits of mulberry, blood plums and blackcurrant are intense and balanced with subtle savoury notes and hints of wild mint and red capsicum.

Palate

The palate is full bodied displaying rich blackcurrant and mulberries with the roundness and juiciness of blood plums. Balanced firm acidity gives life and lift to the mid palate which exhibits generous primary fruit. Integrated savoury oak balances with the velvety fruit tannins and support the persistent length to the wine with just a hint of the varietal crunchy acidity on the finish.



The Amadeus Story

Amadeus 'Lover of God' Francis Symonds was the first minister at Chain of Ponds and built the Christian Methodist church in the mid 1800s. The stone from this building was used in the construction of the cemetery wall, which is all that remains of the Chain of Ponds township

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