



2011 Grave's Gate Shiraz
Shiraz 93%, Viognier 7%
Adelaide Hills 100%

Wine Analysis

Winemaker: Greg Clack

Alcohol: 13.1%

Oak: 70% French Oak 30% American

Acid: 6.9 g/L

pH: 3.39

Residual Sugar: 3.5g/L

Sulphur: 102 mg/L

In the Vineyard

Selected from two vineyards one in the southern Adelaide Hills in the sub region of Kuitpo and the other in the north from Kenton Valley. Both are planted on easterly facing slopes. The blocks contain low yielding balanced vines which produce delicately flavoured and regionally characteristic wines. Both blocks are managed with open canopies allowing the fruit to remain clean and vibrant even in cooler years.

In the Winery

Fermented in static fermenters for 6 days on skins allowing the rich fruit characters to be fully extracted from the grapes. Pressed off skins and transferred straight to 1, 2 and 3 year old oak to finish ferment. The wine was matured in a combination of French and American Oak for 12 months.

In the Glass

Colour

Deep purple with a vibrant plum hue.

Bouquet

Aromas of spiced plums, Christmas cake, black cherry and subtle freshly cracked white pepper with a hint of leather.

Palate

The palate is elegant and complex, displaying dark cherry, juicy plums with secondary characters of black olive and dried herbs.

Medium bodied with a gentle and aromatic tannin structure.

Soft, balanced acidity matches the delicate lingering fruit and spice which finishes with a hint of nuttiness. A perfect match to game and red meat, especially kangaroo or venison.

Chain of Ponds



The Grave's Gate Story

Named in memory and as a tribute to the families who lived at 'Chain of Ponds' from 1840 - 1970. All that now remains of the hamlet is the cemetery and its recently erected stone entrance which protects the history and stories of days gone by

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