



2012 Grave's Gate Shiraz
Shiraz 100%
Adelaide Hills

Wine Analysis

Bottled: October 2013

Winemaker: Greg Clack

Alcohol: 13.1%

Oak: 70% French Oak 30% American

Acid: 6.9 g/L

pH: 3.45

Residual Sugar: 3.6g/L

Sulphur: 83 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 near the town of Forreston. The Kuitpo vineyard is planted on an easterly facing slope that gives elegant spice and pepper while the Forreston vineyard faces north and gives more darker fruits and structural components. The blocks contain low yielding balanced vines which produce delicately flavoured and regionally characteristic wines.

In the Winery

Fermented in open 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 blackcurrant and ripe plums, with fresh blueberries balanced with subtle freshly cracked black pepper and savoury spice.

Palate

The palate is balanced and complex displaying dark cherry, blackcurrant and juicy plums with secondary characters of black olive, dried herbs and freshly ground black pepper. Silky tannins and balanced acidity complement the full bodied palate with subtle oak spice which is seamlessly integrated with the fruit. A perfect match for game and red meat dishes.

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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