

2011 Novello Cabernet Merlot
Cabernet Sauvignon 51% Merlot 49%
Adelaide Hills, South Australia 100%

Wine Analysis

Winemaker: Greg Clack

Bottled: April 2012

Alcohol: 12.2%

Oak: 10 months - French Oak

Acid: 5.9 g/L

pH: 3.41

Residual Sugar: 4.4g/L

Sulphur: 96 mg/L



Novello is a winemaking style aimed at producing youthful, vibrant fresh wines. This is our interpretation!

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In the Vineyard
Sourced from a number of vineyards consistently producing high quality wines from a combination of the southern and central Adelaide Hills. Both areas provide unique fruit spectrums to the resultant blend.

In the Winery
Portions of high quality fruit were fermented separately in stainless steel using minimal cap management to limit over extraction and maintain the varietal fruit characters. Fermentation was finished in stainless steel prior to maturation in oak in order to preserve as much primary fruit as possible. Post fermentation the wine was matured for 10 months in 50% French oak and 50% stainless steel.

In the Glass

Colour

Deep plum red with a plum hue

Bouquet

Lifted aromas of blackcurrant, blueberry and redcurrants, supported with aromas of chocolate and dried herbs with hints of tomato bush and subtle wild mint.

Palate

A varietal and good vintage example with excellent expression of primary fruits – blackcurrant, dark plums and hints of wild mint, tomato bush and dried sage.

Well integrated oak gives a subtle savoury note on the finish and soft subtle velvety tannins and tight acid give good structure and balance. Medium bodied, with a long persistent flavoursome finish ensures early drinkability. This wine will suit any mildly flavoured red meat dish.

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