

**2009 The Amadeus**  
Cabernet Sauvignon 95% Shiraz 5%  
Adelaide Hills 100%

**Wine Analysis**  
**Winemaker:** Greg Clack  
**Bottled:** March 2011  
**Alcohol:** 14.6%  
**Oak:** 65% new, 2 and 3 year old French and  
35% 2 and 3 year old seasoned American Oak  
**Acid:** 7.0g/L  
**pH:** 3.47  
**Residual Sugar:** 2.6g/L  
**Sulphur:** 107 mg/L

#### **Vineyard**

Selected from two vineyards, one in the mid-northern region of the Adelaide Hills just near the town of Gumeracha, the other in the southern Adelaide Hills near Kuitpo. The drought conditions continued through the 2008/09 growing season meaning very little water was available, resulting in lower crop levels and intense fruit characters. A small heatwave around Australia day caused some fruit damage however due to the cooler Adelaide Hills this was only very minor.

#### **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 to complete. The wine was allowed to undergo maturation for 20 months before bottling.

#### **In the Glass**

Deep red plum with a crimson cherry hue.

#### **Bouquet**

Intensely complex yet varietal Cabernet with lifted dark fruits of cassis, mulberry and blueberry, integrated with nuances of spearmint, tomato vine and tobacco leaf. Secondary flavours of spice, mocha and cashew nuts balance and fill out the nose.

#### **Palate**

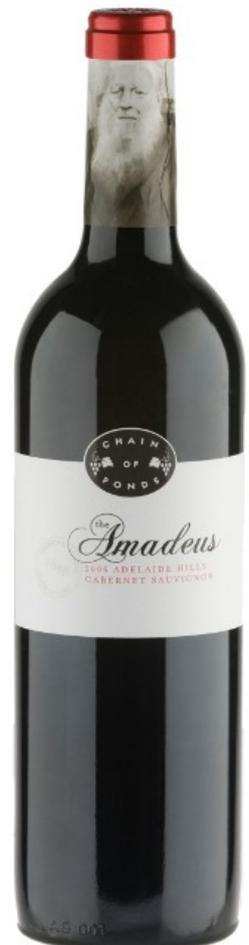
The palate is full bodied and displays seamlessly integrated fruit and savoury characters which fill out the palate to give a well rounded wine with exceptional fruit weight and length. Velvety tannins and tight acid give drinkability now along with great ageing potential for the next 10 years. Perfectly suited to a wood fire roasted beef or lamb served with all the trimmings or amongst friends on a crisp Autumn day.



#### **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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