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TASTING NOTES

Nebbiolo 2012

- Details:** Dark cherry red in colour, this wine has aromas of red berry fruits and roses, with a hint of earthiness. The palate is juicy yet savoury. Red currants and blood plum dominate, with an undercurrent of baked earth and dried Italian herbs. The finish is long with grippy tannins and pronounced acidity. A refreshing medium bodied red of great character and poise.
- Origin:** Heathcote, Victoria,
- Blend** Nebbiolo 100%
- Viticulture:** Vines planted in 2002. Vines spur-pruned and vertical shoot positioned to ensure fruit exposure and even ripening. Low yielding to ensure richly flavoured grapes.
- Vintage:** A warm winter, hence an early budburst in mid August. An early flowering followed, with good November rains. A coolish summer with rains in January and February. Nebbiolo wasn't picked until April.
- Winemaking:** Fruit was destemmed and tipped into a small open fermenter, cold soaked for 4-5 days and natural "wild" yeast fermented. Plunged 5 times daily during cold soak, then 1-2 times daily during ferment. A long post maceration with no plunging, lead to 33 days total on skins. Pressed into 6yr old French oak barriques with natural malolactic fermentation. The wine was racked on a new moon (twice) and bottled without fining or filtration.
- Bottled:** May 2013
- Alcohol:** 14%
- Ageing Potential:** Enjoy now, or cellar for 3-5 years