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ADELAIDE HILLS BOUTIQUE WINE

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2009 RESERVE SHIRAZ

BOUQUET & PALATE:

The vintage conditions of 2009 were ideal for ripening Shiraz in the Adelaide Hills, giving excellent depth and length of flavor, yet retaining signature pepper and spice characters on the nose. Fine tannins give this wonderful texture, and an earthy complexity from 2 years ageing in new and old French oak adds structure, balance and flavor. This wine can be enjoyed now or will gain complexity from cellaring.

WINEMAKING:

The dry conditions in 2009 were perfect for ripening Shiraz in the Adelaide Hills. Hand picked over several weeks this fruit was destemmed into open-top fermenters. Once fermenting, each small ferment batch was plunged twice daily to extract colour and flavour. After a 16 day fermentation the wine is then pumped and pressed into barrel for maturation.

15 months ageing in a mixture of new and old French oak has created a complex wine with excellent aging ability. Drinking beautifully now, however cellaring will reward those with patience to wait.

VINEYARDS:

Carefully selected vineyards from warmer Adelaide Hills sites provide excellent fruit that consistently produces outstanding Shiraz with great concentration and spice.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

Fermentation:	whole berries in small open top fermenters
Pressing:	Traditional Basket pressed
Malolactic ferment:	in oak
Maturation:	15 months in 30% new oak, 70% French barriques
Alcohol:	14.0%
Closure:	Screw cap

