

BOTRYTIS SEMILLON

THERE ARE NOT MANY THINGS WE HAVEN'T TRIED IN THE INTERESTS OF VINOUS PLEASURE AT WIRRA WIRRA. CERTAINLY IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE CREATED A BOTRYTIS AFFECTED DESSERT SEMILLON. IT TOOK THE MISCHIEVOUS MIND OF A VITICULTURIST AND A PAIR OF WINEMAKERS UP FOR A CHALLENGE TO DREAM UP OUR LATEST LUSCIOUS NECTAR. FROM A MAGPIE SPRINGS VINEYARD BORDERING THE ADELAIDE HILLS AND MCLAREN VALE, COMES A WINE RIPE WITH RICH FLAVOURS OF MARMALADE AND CUMQUAT AND A LINGERING FINISH THAT STAYS WITH YOU UNTIL THE NEXT SIP. DESTINED TO BECOME ANOTHER WIRRA WIRRA FAVOURITE.



VINTAGE

2010

REGION

Adelaide Hills

GRAPE VARIETIES

Semillon

COLOUR

Pale straw with a green tinges.

BOUQUET

Fresh apricots layered with honey and fig. Cinnamon spice adds a bright and lifted bouquet with an influence of bath salt and mineral notes.

PALATE

Mouth filling marmalade character, with a hint of caramel finishing with a refreshing spicy note. The palate is rich and viscous yet still retains bright natural Adelaide Hills acid and balanced sweetness. Long and juicy, the wine has great persistence.

DRINK

Now to 8 years.

FOOD MATCH

Cinnamon pancakes served with blueberry infused maple syrup sauce and fresh whipped cream.

VINEYARDS

Magpie Springs.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were whole bunch loaded to air bag press and gently pressed over 5 hour period. Free run and pressings were kept separate and both chilled down to cold settle over 5 days. Clear juices were racked and inoculated to selected 'sticky style' yeast, where fermentation was carried out in stainless steel without the influence of oak. After 4 weeks of slow gradual fermentation, and the wine was deemed to have the correct sugar, acid and alcohol balance the fermentation was stopped. The wine was minimally filtered prior to bottling and has retained fruit freshness with subtle botrytis influence.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

pH 3.23 Ta 7.84 Alc 11.0%

WINEMAKERS

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