



## 2003 Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage 2003 provided very good flavour development on our Estate vineyard in the cool climate of the Adelaide Hills. However, with miniscule yields of a mere 1.1 tonnes/acre for the Cabernet and 2.2 tonnes/acre for Shiraz, only limited quantities of this wine have been made. We have blended Shiraz (53%) and Cabernet Sauvignon (38%) from our Adelaide Hills Estate vineyard with McLaren Vale Shiraz (9%) providing an additional texture and fleshiness to the mid-palate. Twelve months spent in old French and American oak barriques has imparted a subtle oak influence on the palate.

### Tasting Notes

Deep crimson in colour, an exotic bouquet of ripe forest fruits in concert with violets, Turkish Delight and Asian spices. Medium bodied but with an impressive weight of pretty brambleberry flavours backed by accents of dried herb and cinnamon, the oak shows excellent integration with a hint of cedar on persistent finish. Best from 2004 to 2010.

**Bottling Date:** January 2005

**Production:** 1050 cases

**Winemaker:** Duane Coates

**Closure:** Cork

**Alcohol:** 14.3%