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2020 PALLADIAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Varietal: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Tasting notes: A glorious expression of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. A ruby red wine with lovely crimson hues. Lifted dark cherry notes and some dark plum too. A solid dense mouthfeel but still in the elegant frame, more tannin and body this year, a more structured wine. Mid palate juiciness will develop in time. Black and red fruits are dominant with nougat and tobacco. Some oak spice on the finish.

Alcohol: 14%

pH: 3.59

Total Acidity: 6.2g/l

Residual Sugar: 0.2 g/l

Harvest Date: 28th February 2020

Oak: 19 months in 100% new French oak 500 L puncheons.

Bottling Date: 11th November 2021

Cellaring Potential: It will develop further complexity for up to 15 years.

Winemaking

The grapes for the dry-grown Palladian Cabernet Sauvignon were specially selected from the best section of the vineyard. These vines have been leaf plucked and shoot thinned. We harvested and sorted the fruit by hand. This wine is entirely made in 500L barrels without any stainless-steel contact at any point. This makes for a seamless integration of fruit and oak, delivering a wine that is elegant and restrained but full of flavour and texture.

Reviews

Fragrant nose of cedar, mulberries, cherries, blueberries, vanilla and mint leaves. Medium- to full-bodied and well-framed, with tight-knit tannins giving it a firm and focused backbone behind the dark berry fruit. Composed and elegant. Just opening up. Vegan. Drink from 2024. Screw cap.

James Suckling - 95 points