



DOWIE DOOLE

2010 Cali Road Shiraz

Grape Varieties

100% Shiraz

Vineyard Region

McLaren Vale, South Australia

Vintage Conditions

The 2010 growing season was generally quite mild with good winter rains and an early budburst after a warmer than average winter. The region experienced perfect conditions until a short period of intense hot weather in November 2009 with 7 out of 9 days above 40C. This was followed by later Spring rain which refreshed and re-hydrated canopies and led into a very mild January / February, offering ideal conditions for veraison and ripening. The fruit was harvested in excellent condition-colour, flavour, good acidity and fine ripe tannins.

Technical Information

Fruit was sourced entirely from the California Road Vineyard's North West Block. Picked at 14 Be and fermented in small static fermenters with three pump overs daily. The must was then pressed at 2 Be straight into entirely new American oak barrels. The wine was then matured in oak for the following 24 months during which time it was racked and returned four times. The wine was then finally removed from oak, given a light egg white fining and bottled with minimal filtration.

Analysis: Alc/Vol: 14.7% TA: 7.04 g/L SO₂: Free 27 mg/l Total 86 mg/l pH: 3.37 VA: .78g/l Res Sugar: 2.2 g/l Spec gravity: 0.9946

Tasting Notes

Intense deep purple with crimson hue. An attractive bouquet of raspberries, caramel, nutmeg and cinnamon.

The luscious palate displays excellent shiraz varietal character associated with the California Road Vineyard: red, juicy berries and dark chocolate. These flavours are well integrated with the sweet vanilla oak and will further develop as the wine ages. The full bodied palate exhibits fine silky tannins and balanced structure and will be enjoyed for many years to come.

Food Match

Moroccan lamb tagine, wagyu beef brisket.

Drink

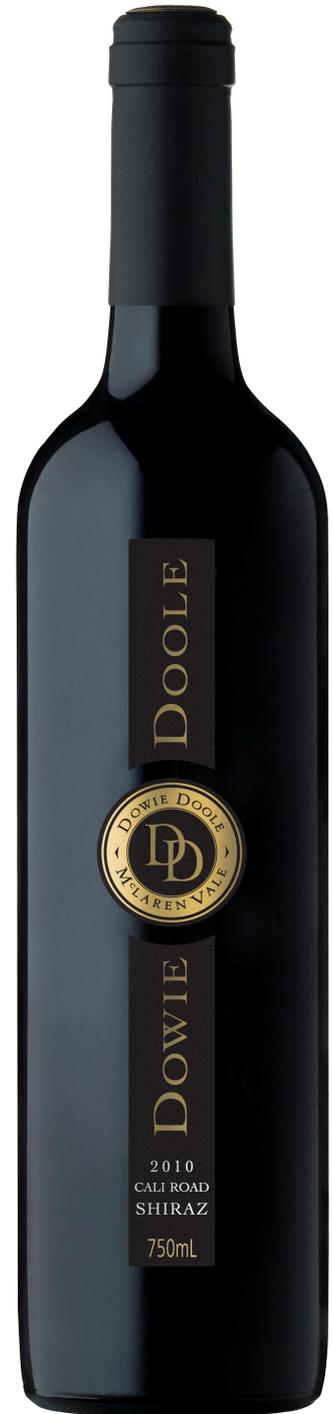
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