



DOWIE DOOLE

## **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2001**

<b>Varieties:</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%
<b>Region:</b>	McLaren Vale, South Australia 100%
<b>Vineyard:</b>	Norm & Jane Doole's - Norjan Vineyard
<b>Vintage conditions:</b>	<p>2001 was a challenging vintage in McLaren Vale with the 2000 growing season providing the region with one of its best winters ever, resulting in a very good, consistent fruit set.</p> <p>Although summer began in a normal manner, January saw prolonged periods of hot weather accelerate the ripening period with early ripening varieties being picked several weeks earlier than usual.</p> <p>The Norjan vineyard's balanced canopy delivered fruit in optimum condition with good sugar levels, richness of colour and excellent acid/tannin balance.</p>
<b>Technical information:</b>	<p>The fruit was picked at 13.8° Bé, crushed and rotary fermented for six days. Fifty percent of the juice was run off into a mix of new and one-year old Seguin Moreau medium-toast French and American oak hogsheads and barrel fermented to dryness. The other half was fermented to dryness and then transferred to barrel.</p> <p>Bottled May 2003.</p>
<b>Analysis:</b>	<b>Alc/Vol:</b> 14.0% <b>TA:</b> 7.0 g/L <b>pH:</b> 3.46 <b>Res.Sugar:</b> 2.4 g/L <b>VA:</b> 0.58g/L <b>SO<sub>2</sub>:</b> Free 35mg/L <b>Total:</b> 99mg/L
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	<p>Deep crimson with bright crimson hue. A complex nose of ripe, sweet, dark berries with some coffee and tobacco aromas. The palate is medium to full-bodied displaying long, rich, savoury and dark-berried flavours. Aged in a combination of new, second and third use French oak hogsheads the oak is very well integrated leaving the wine with a soft, rounded tannin finish. Our fourth release of Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2001 will drink exceptionally well over the next 5-6 years.</p>
<b>Viticulturist:</b>	Norm Doole
<b>Winemaker:</b>	Brian Light