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COLLOCA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

BAROSSA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA

VINTAGE

The 2010 vintage was preceded by good winter rainfall, providing sub-soil moisture for the summer months. This provided strong canopy growth and a strong fruit set. The summer ripening period was relatively cool, with warm days the normality, providing even ripening across the vineyards. Pristine flavours were developed in this time, with excellent tannin formation.

SINGLE VINEYARD

Fruit was selected from the Ross Family Vineyard in the Southern Foothills of the Barossa from the 'back block' that encroaches into the hillside. Here the grapes thrive on the gentle sun soaked Northern slopes perched on the side of the gully. The soil is a rich Duplex structure of brown loam over red clay.

WINEMAKING

Fruit from each vineyard was picked at optimum ripeness and crushed into directly into open top fermenters and yeast added to immediately start the fermentation and remove the chance of any spoilage occurring. The subsequent day, and for a period of 6-8 days following, the fermenting must was hand 'pumped-over' twice a day. The wine was then drained and the skins pressed in an Air bag Press, for gentle skin contact resulting in softer and silkier tannin extraction. The wine was then transferred into 100% new American oak barrels for maturation. Over the next 21 months the wine was racked twice and topped at regular intervals. Prior to bottling, the wine received a polishing filtration and rested in bottle for 18 months prior to release.

TASTING NOTES

The nose has abundant blackcurrant, raspberries with sweet spice and chocolate from the American oak. The tannins are rich and robust giving mid palate weight and enhancing the dark cherry, currant and cassis characters. The oak maturation is evident and adds soft richness and vanilla/coffee tones to the palate. Drinking well for your immediate enjoyment, but will easily cellar for over a decade with confidence of further enhancement.



Vintage	2010
Appellation	Barossa Valley
Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	14.7%
pH	3.37
Production	256 cases
Bottled Date	February 21, 2012
Release Date	September 26, 2014



SILVER MEDAL

