



## 2008 AIDA ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



**Harvest Dates:** September 2—24, 2008

**Barrel Age:** 20 months, 75% new French Oak

**Cooperage:** Taransaud, Demptos, Ermitage, Baron, and Saury

**Bottling Date:** May 6, 2010

**Alcohol:** 14.8%

**Release Date:** Spring 2011

**Cases Produced:** 750

**Release Price:** \$195 ~ 750ml

**Library Price:** \$495 ~ 750ml

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**THE VINEYARD** We have been fueled by our belief that Aida would be an ideal site for growing Bordeaux varietals since our acquisition of this wonderful site in 2000. Each harvest has affirmed our initial belief and makes us look forward to the following year.

**THE VINTAGE** 2008 marked an ideal growing season and this vintage of Aida Cabernet benefited from an early bud break and cool summer which allowed for plenty of hang time and flavor development. Yields were low and small, highly concentrated berries helped to create a harmonious wine of supreme structure.

**THE WINE** Abundant aromas of dark chocolate, coffee grounds and burning embers lead into a palate of black cherry, crushed rock and a touch of smokiness. Bold in stature, this rich, masculine cabernet will benefit from decanting and can be enjoyed over the next 20+ years.

**THE UPDATE** The nose of this muscular and powerful wine opens with lifted floral aromas that melt into a rich palate of black currant, tar, and crushed rock with deep earth driven undertones. From the low-yielding 2008 Aida vintage, this rich and concentrated wine lingers with grippy tannins on the finish.