

## 2003 AIDA RED WINE



Harvest Dates: September 30, 2003

Barrel Age: 18 months, 100% new French Oak

Cooperage: Taransaud

Bottling Date: April 20, 2005

Blend: 93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc

**Alcohol:** 15.2%

Release Date: March 2007

Cases Produced: 350

Release Price: \$140 ~ 750ml

**Library Price:** \$595 ~ 750ml

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 This wine is truly stunning and continues to prove the merit and integrity of the Aida Vineyard. In 2000 when Chuck and Philippe set out to find a vineyard to compliment the already established Vineyard 29 home vineyard, Aida seemed the perfect fit. It's gravely Châteauneuf-du-Pape like soils presented budding potential and brilliant promise. Seven years later, this site has exceeded our expectations and continues to excite and impress us with wines of exquisite stature and elegance.

THE WINE The powerful, yet graceful 2003 Aida Red Wine is no exception. Beautiful aromas of blackberries and licorice are surrounded by caramel and toffee while exotic spice and licorice carry through the mid-palate and lead to a rich, generous finish. Enjoy now through 2022.

**THE UPDATE** Our 2003 Aida Red Wine shows deep ruby colors and intense aromas of black currant and cassis. The palate is plush and opulent, youthful, and fresh at age 20 showcasing firm tannins, impressive structure with graphite hints on the lingering finish.