

2010 The Stopover Barbera
Barbera 94% Sangiovese 6%
Adelaide Hills 100%

Wine Analysis

Winemaker: Greg Clack

Bottled: April 2011

Alcohol: 13.0% v/v

Oak: 25% New French Oak, 75% 2, 3
and 4 year old French Oak

Acid: 6.7 g/L

pH: 3.43

Residual Sugar: 3.6g/L

Sulphur: 107 mg/L

In the Vineyard

Fruit for the Stopover Barbera is sourced from a slightly warmer vineyard in the northern Adelaide Hills from an Easterly facing slope which catches the cooler morning sun and avoids the harsh afternoon heat. The resulting site produces wines which are vibrant in fresh fruit characters and give good structural acid.

In the Winery

Fermented in open fermenters with minimal gentle pumpovers to extract colour and flavour but also to preserve the fruit characters in the wine. A varietal enhancing yeast was used to preserve the fresh primary fruit aromas. Pressed off skins after 6 days of fermentation, transferred into French oak to complete primary fermentation and undergo malo-lactic fermentation and gain complexity with early integration. The wine was racked and returned post fermentation for maturation and bottled early to retain freshness of fruit.

In the Glass

Colour

Deep plum purple with a cherry red hue.

Bouquet

On the nose there is rich cherry and plum fruits with hints of spice and earthiness. Nuances of toasty oak and blackcurrant round out the nose.

Palate

On the palate there is very juicy cherry, red fruits and fresh plums. Good spiciness and balanced oak are integrated well with the typical firm yet balanced acid structure evident in Barbera. Velvety tannins are firm enough to give structure while giving a slight perceived sweetness and savouriness to the wine.

The fresh sweet fruits and savoury hints linger on the palate well after the wine is swallowed. Perfectly suited to many tomato and basil based dishes from pasta through to wood fired pizza.



The Stopover Story

In the early years Chain of Ponds played an important stopover role in the difficult trek across the ranges, linking Adelaide to Mannum and the colony's lifeline, the River Murray.

The Stopover
BARBERA
2010



Chain of Ponds