

The Yard

2008 RIVERSDALE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The Vintage: A cool dry spring resulted in a very low crop. Berries and bunches were small, resulting in a wine of intense colour and flavour.

The Winemaking: Fruit was hand picked and sorted. Fermentation lasted for 3 weeks with very gentle maceration. The wine was aged in new and 1 year old oak for 10 months prior to bottling.

The Wine: On the nose, there are aromas of ripe plum and blackberry, with some savoury notes. There is deep fruit, richness and elegance on the palate. The wine is powerful and soft, with an earthy, spicy, blood-like inkiness. The tannins are soft and silky.

Winemaker Larry Cherubino
Vineyard Riversdale

Year Planted 1997

Location 15 kms west of

Frankland River Township

Vines per Hectare 1650 Irrigation yes

Clone/s Houghton Rootstock Own

Aspect North Facing

Soils Deep Gravels over clay

Technical Data:

Geographical Indication Frankland River
Variety Cabernet Sauvignon

Picking Date March 23 2008
Sugar at Picking 14.3 Baume'
Alcohol 14.7% v/v

pH 3.85
Total Acidity 5.56g/L
Residual Sugar 0.0g/L
Bottled June 2009
Cellaring Potential 10 years