

MILTON PARK

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VINTAGE	2012	REGION	South Australia
HARVESTED	April 2012	BOTTLED	October 2012
ALCOHOL	13 %		

WINEMAKERS NOTE

The wine is a pale straw colour. The nose is clean and elegant with white peach and blossom notes. This is a medium weight wine with peach, pear and some citrus notes. The palate is well textured and generous due to French oak. There are hints of nutty oak and roasted nut characters, and the wine finishes with good length of citrus fruits.

VINTAGE

The 2012 vintage was preceded by a cool summer and above average rainfall during the winter months. Excellent picking conditions for the Mount Crawford white wines produced fine and delicate flavours typical of the Eden Valley. The mild conditions ensured the reds could be harvested during the night and early morning without heat compromising quality.

Several warmer weeks in January and February ensured the reds developed excellent colour and fruit character whilst maintaining good acid structure and overall balance. Vintage 2012 was a 'light' year with yields of both reds and whites 20-30% below what would normally be expected.

WINEMAKING

Crushed, de-stemmed and then pressed using a membrane press. Pressings were not used and ferment commenced using French yeast at 12-15 degrees celcius. The ferment was kept slow and cool to retain all the natural varietal flavours and aromatic qualities. The wine was racked, filtered and then bottled soon afterwards so the wine was a true expression of the grape/terroir from which it was made.

