



# 29 ESTATE 2011 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**Harvest Dates**

October 18 - November 2, 2011

**Barrel Age**

20 months, 85% new French Oak

**Cooperage**

Taransaud, Demptos, Ermitage

**Bottling Date**

June 12, 2013

**Alcohol**

14.5%

**Release Date**

Fall 2014

The 2011 vintage began with a wet winter. Spring ushered in an abundance of cool, rainy days that continued into early summer. During this time vines focused on canopy growth rather than reproductive growth, resulting in a minuscule fruit set in a cooler than average growing season. In order to fully maximize sun exposure, our strategy in the vineyards was to open up the canopies and allow the clusters to have direct sunlight and air flow. While the 2011 harvest was stingy with yields, this vineyard focused approach produced optimal flavors with lower brix levels, creating wines of great intensity, structure and acidity.

Our 2011 29 Estate Cabernet is a pure expression of cabernet sauvignon. Aromatics on this regal wine boast savory notes of sage, dried lavender, new leather and bright red plums. A generous palate further entices with dark black fruits, violets and clean graphite while red currants provide a lingering touch of brightness. Firmer tannins and a bright acidity make this wine a perfect match for beautifully marbled New York Strip Steak. Our 29 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon will benefit by 3 years of bottle age and generous decanting developing gracefully over the next 20 to 25 years.

**Cases Produced:** 688

**Retail Price:** \$225 ~ 750ml