

Wofford Acres Vineyards

2011 LaMancha Estate – El Dorado

TECHNICAL DATA

Harvest
40% Nebbiolo
40% Petite Sirah
20% Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvested: 5 Nov. 2011
Sugar: 23.3 degrees brix

Titratable acidity: 1.06 gm/100ml

pH: 3.06

Cellar Alcohol: 13.2 % pH: 3.36

Titratable acidity: 0.71gm/100ml Malolactic fermentation: 100% Barrel aging: 10 months in 25% New French Oak and 75% one year old French oak

Production: 130 cases

WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2011 vintage is proving to be challenging, as have the past few years. Late spring snow – on May 15th it snowed slowing the start of bloom. Cool summer temperatures lead to a very late harvest, the first week of November.

At harvest the fruit was hand harvested and fermented in small one ton lots. The specialty yeast known as GRE was used to enhance the depth of aroma and flavor we are looking to develop in this wine.

The wine was aged for 9 months in new and one year old French Oak from the center of France.

TASTING NOTES

With our 2011 Vintage we are back to a wine that was the original concept; a wine that was bright, full of fruit and balanced for early enjoyment. With the early release of our LaMancha blend we emphasized bright fruit to be complemented by a relatively short barrel aging program. The 2011 vintage shows all the style and forward fruit that we have come to expect from this wine. Spice, cranberry and raspberry bound from the glass. Enticing impressions of berries and a hint of chocolate expand the flavor profile. A big wine, with loads of fruit, the LaMancha goes well with many foods and is great for a summer barbeque.