



DOMINIQUE PORTET

Yarra Valley

2012 DOMINIQUE PORTET ANDRÉ

Vine

André is named after Dominique Portet's father, a former vineyard and winery manager at Château Lafite-Rothschild in Pauillac. The wine is made only in exceptional vintages and honours the faith and learning on which our 10-generation winemaking heritage is built.

2012 marks the third release of the wine. It comprises 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the Pyrenees and Yarra Valley. The Pyrenees fruit is from 40-year-old vines grown on gravel/quartz soils, ideal for elegance and structure. The Yarra fruit comes from 20-year-old vines on soils with more clay and broken rock. It adds mid-palate flesh and cool fruit freshness.

Wine

Excellent vintage conditions and carefully tended old vines in two special sites are key to this wine. Winemaking, then, is straightforward. However, our newly installed sorting line helped us achieve greater focus and concentration in 2012 by entirely eliminating green stalks and grapes that were unripe or overripe. We picked the fruit by hand, destemmed and gently crushed it. The wine spent four weeks on skins to develop softness and complexity. It was then aged for 18 months in tight-grained French oak (60% new).

Glass

The 2012 Dominique Portet André is a structured and extremely refined expression of contemporary Victorian Cabernet Sauvignon. It balances opulent black fruits with cigar-box complexity and sweet, silky tannins. Its elegance, grace and ageability make us proud to present this tribute as a memorable wine to share, either now or many years into the future.

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Alcohol: 13.9%

RRP: \$180

Closure: High-quality cork

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ABOUT DOMINIQUE PORTET

The Yarra Valley winery was established in 2000 by Bordeaux-raised Dominique Portet, whose family's winemaking history stretches back 10 consecutive generations to 18th century France. Dominique and son Ben craft fresh, elegant, expressive wines from Sparkling Rosé to Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz, coolly grown in the Victorian regions of the Yarra Valley and Heathcote.