



## 2013 Wedell Cellars Wavertree Santa Ynez Valley Viognier

OUR 20 I 3 WEDELL CELLARS WAVERTREE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY VIOGNIER IS OUR SECOND RELEASE IN MANY YEARS OF A VIOGNIER. DRIVEN BY OUR MISSION TO CREATE WINES THAT ARE TRUE TO BOTH THEIR VARIETAL CHARACTER AND TERROIR WE FEEL THAT WITH THIS WINE WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED OUR MISSION. BY SOURCING OUR FRUIT FROM A WELL KNOWN VINEYARD IN THE HAPPY CANYON SUB-APPELLATION OF THE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY, WE TRULY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EMPHASIZE THE UNIQUE TERROIR OF THE AREA.

WEDELL CELLARS' PHILOSOPHY HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT GREAT WINES COME FROM GREAT VINEYARDS AND THAT WE AS WINEMAKERS SHOULD BE DEDICATED CARETAKERS OF THE FRUIT THAT WE SOURCE FROM THESE VINEYARDS. WE TAKE OUR TASK SERIOUSLY: WITH THE GENTLE WHOLE CLUSTER PRESSING OF THE GRAPES AND THEN THE FERMENTATION IN STAINLESS STEEL WE HAVE SET THE FOUNDATION FOR A VERY SPECIAL WINE. WE CONTINUED OUR JOURNEY BY SLOWLY AGING THE WINE SUR LIE FOR MORE THAN TWENTY THREE MONTHS IN NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK WHILE IT DEVELOPED AN INTENSE STONE FRUIT BOUQUET AND A MINERAL COMPONENT REMINISCENT OF OLD WORLD VIOGNIER. ONLY WHEN WE FELT THAT WE HAD ACHIEVED THE PERFECT BALANCE OF EARTH AND FRUIT DID WE FEEL THAT WE COULD EVEN CONSIDER BOTTLING THIS BEAUTIFUL WINE. IT CAME AS NO SURPRISE TO US THAT BOTH THE BRIGHT ACIDITY AND MODERATE ALCOHOL THAT THIS WINE HAS ONLY FURTHER CONTRIBUTES TO MAKING IT A VERY SPECIAL CREATION. IN THE WINERY WE LET THE GRAPES AND THE VINEYARDS EXPRESS THEMSELVES WITHOUT A HEAVY HAND ON OUR PART MAKING OUR MOTTO "LESS IS MORE" A PROPHETIC STATEMENT, THE 20 I 3 WEDELL CELLARS WAVERTREE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY VIOGNIER SHOWS THE FULL POTENTIAL OF BOTH THE APPELLATION AND THE VARIETAL.

OUR 20 I 3 WEDELL CELLARS WAVERTREE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY VIOGNIER WITH ITS BRIGHT ACIDITY, MINERALITY AND FRUIT BALANCE ALLOWS IT TO BE ENJOYED ALONE BUT ALSO WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF DIFFERENT FOODS AND CUISINES. WHILE THE WINE HAS BEEN AGED IN NEUTRAL OAK TO GIVE IT A RICHNESS ON THE PALATE BUT YET NOT OVERPOWERING ONE'S PALATE, INDEED THE 20 I 3 WEDELL CELLARS WAVERTREE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY VIOGNER HAS AN INCREDIBLE RICH MOUTH FEEL, IMMERSING YOU IN A SPECTACULAR BALANCE OF FRUIT, EARTHINESS AND ACIDITY WITH A LINGERING COMPLEX FINISH. BECAUSE IT IS SO BALANCED, WE FEEL THAT WE HAVE CREATED A WINE THAT WHILE ENJOYABLE NOW WILL AGE AND MATURE BEAUTIFULLY FOR MANY YEARS TO COME.

Maurice & Susie Wedell

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

HARVEST DATES BRIX - ACIDITY BARRELS BOTTLED ALCOHOL PRODUCTION

SEPTEMBER 29, 2013 25.1 BRIX 3.78 PH, 4.9TA NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK BARRELS SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 14.4%

750ML: 57 TWELVE PACK CASES

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