



KIERAN ROBINSON WINES

2009 Bennett Valley Syrah

Tasting Notes

The first sniff reveals a spicy red fruit, but as it sits in the glass the aromas turn to orange peel and smoky pork fat with a hint of bay leaf and lavender. This wine is well balanced and integrated. The mid-palate shows the red fruit and Asian spice playing with the smoky oak subtleties. In the finish the refined tannins grip your tongue and allow this well structured wine to last long after the sip.

Vineyard

Vivio Vineyard, planted 2001

Appellation: Bennett Valley

Clones: 470, 877

Vineyard Site: gravely clay loam at 900

Winemaking

Harvest Brix: 23.5

Alcohol: 14.2% ABV

Yeast: Native ferment

Malic Acid: native

Ferment: 40% whole cluster, fermented in small 1 tons stainless steel tanks, hand punched and left on skins for 21 days. Aged in 40% new French oak for 14 months.

Bottled unfined and unfiltered in February 2011.

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