

# SUTHERLAND

## VINEYARDS

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## Thelema Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

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### MATURATION

Already drinking well, and will develop for 8 years.

### FOOD PAIRING

A perfect accompaniment to grilled beef, especially with a Béarnaise sauce and rocket salad.

### VITICULTURAL PRACTICES

Varietal	100% Cabernet Sauvignon – clone 46,169A and 338C
Root stock	101-14, R110 & R99
Soil type	Hutton – decomposed granite
Age of vines	Planted 1988, 1989 & 2002
Plant density	3200 vines per hectare
Trellising	Vertical hedge
Pruning	2-bud spurs every 15cm
Yield	Approximately 8.17 t/ha
Irrigation	Supplementary drip
Vintage	Moderate weather with excellent fruit quality
Picking date	9th March – 6th April
Grape sugar	24.3 °B
Acidity	4.98 g/l
pH at harvest	3.63 g/l

### WINEMAKING PRACTICES

Yeasts	Natural occurring yeasts
Fermentation temp	27 °C
Method	De-stalked, hand sorting of berries, crushed, pumped into stainless steel tanks, pumped over for 8 days, left for 3 days before pressing, racked to barrel for malolactic fermentation.
Wood maturation	18 months in barrel. 45% new French oak, balance in older barrels.

### WINE DETAILS

Residual sugar	1.8g/l
pH	3.62
Total acid	6.0g/l
Alcohol	14.38%
Maturation	2013 - 2022

### WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

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