TERRA VALENTINE

2011 YVERDON VINEYARD **ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON**



Vintage:

A wet spring continued with rainfall into mid-June that delayed bloom and then set the stage for a long, cooler-than-average season. With a few high heat events occurring during August the growers managed to open vine canopies to ensure sunlight, warmth and good air circulation around the grape clusters. While quantity was low, the fruit this year will make for well-balanced wines with good intensity, structure and texture with a brightness of flavor.

Vineyard:

The Yverdon Vineyard Cabernet is sourced from a 25 acres property that is located at 2,000 feet on Spring Mountain. The property which was originally planted back in the late 1960's as the Yverdon Winery. The property sits at the highest elevations in the Spring Mountain District and experiences warm mornings due to being above the fog and cooler afternoon temperatures due to the elevation. The mixture of rootstocks and clones paired with the many microclimates on the estate produce grapes that show the elegance and intensity that can be achieved at the highest elevations in the district.

Tasting:

Rich dark chocolate, cedar, earth and tobacco aromas with bright cherry and red currant fruits. Bright, forward tannins with a rounded soft mid-palate, finishes with an elegant caramel toast.

Composition:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Harvest Dates:

November 1st & 2nd

Vinification:

Cold soaked 72 hours, Extended maceration, free-run drained off after 21 days total contact.

Barrel Regime:

22 months in barrel 100% French oak - 50% new

Bottling:

96 cases

Retail:

\$75.00 - 750ml

Aging: 2016 - 2022