



DeLILLE CELLARS

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Doyenne 2008 AIX

This vintage explodes from the glass with dark, dense black fruits, blackberry liqueur, black pepper, road tar, fresh sage, almonds and toast.

The black fruits dominate the palate, with expressive Herbes de Provence notes from the Syrah and a layer of cassis along the mid-palate showing off the Cabernet Sauvignon component.

A strong structure and long finish make this an ideal wine for medium-term cellaring. This wine is a great example of the 2008 vintage displaying finesse and elegance along with many enticing non-fruit characteristics that we sometimes associate with Old World wines.



Appellation
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Red Mountain
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Varietal
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61% Syrah
34% Cabernet Sauvignon
4% Mourvèdre
1% Cinsault

Vineyard Breakdown
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31% Ciel du Cheval Syrah
22% Grand Ciel Syrah
8% Kiona End of the Road Ranch Syrah
34% Ciel du Cheval Cabernet Sauvignon
4% Ciel du Cheval Mourvedre
1% Boushey Cinsault

Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

91 Points

"It gives up a splendid, slightly exotic nose of smoke, spice box, lavender, grilled meat, black currant, and plum. Forward, plush, and spicy, this full-flavored, pleasure-bent offering can be enjoyed now and over the next 6-8 years."