



REVIEWS

2010 SILVER LINING SYRAH



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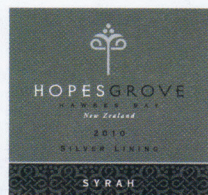
**** 18.0+/20

A barrel selection wine. MS clone Syrah, hand-picked and fermented with 5% whole bunch to 14.5% alc., the wine aged 18 months in 25% new oak, then aged a further 6 months with a greater percentage of new oak. Full, deep, purple-hued ruby-red colour, youthful in appearance. This has a very elegant, refined and tightly bound nose with black fruits and powdery black pepper aromas interwoven and integrated with violetty perfumes, oak spices and toast. Medium-full bodied, spicy black berry fruits, plums and liquorice merge with dark herb and some stalky elements, forming an integrated and concentrated core and strong palate line. The flavours are supported by very fine tannins which provide soft textures and a smooth flowing mouthfeel. The acidity is discrete, allowing the wine to finish with fine, grainy, drying tannins. This is an elegant, fine-grained Syrah with complex spicy fruit and oak flavours. Match with Middle Eastern and Mediterranean fare over the next 6-7+ years. 70 cases made. 18.0-/20 Nov 2012 RRP \$60.00

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Silver Lining Syrah, Hawkes
Bay, NZ\$65

Elegant fine-boned syrah with berry, plum, mineral and anise flavours. There's also a seasoning of cracked black pepper and a suggestion of floral influence. Taut, tight and powerful wine with good cellaring potential. 10



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