



2005 Nebbiolo Adelaide Hills

In its place of origin, Piedmont, Italy, Nebbiolo is king, being responsible for the esteemed wines of Barolo and Barbaresco. Nebbiolo takes its name from the fog or "nebbia" that descends upon the hills and valleys of this region in October while the grapes remain on the vines awaiting full ripeness. This is a nervous time for the winemaker, but those who are patient are rewarded with wines that display a powerful aromatic bouquet, great finesse and structure and an ability to age for many decades.

Nebbiolo has been grown in Australia since the 1980's, but as a country we still have a lot to learn about growing this fastidious grape. The Adelaide Hills and King Valley (Victoria) have led the way in producing wines that suggest that one day it may be possible to reach the lofty heights of those wines produced in Nebbiolo's home land.

Winemaker Comments by Russell Schroder

The 2005 Semprevino Nebbiolo is a brilliant cherry red colour. The nose is fragrant and complex, showing hints of violets, roses, leather and licorice. On the palate, the wine is soft and silky at first, with dry grippy tannins and exceptional length on the finish. This wine while approachable now, will improve with cellaring for at least 10 years, and possibly well beyond.



Maturation	2.5 years in old French barriques
Analysis	Alcohol - 14.0 %/vol pH - 3.54 Total acidity - 7.1 g/l
Pricing	\$28 per bottle or \$280 per case (12 bottles)
Availability	Available for delivery in October 2007
Peak Drinking	Now - 2017+
Drink With	This wine is well suited to red meats, but would also be perfect with a rich pasta or risotto dish.

