

HENTLEY FARM ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015



Wine Introduction

The fruit from our three Cabernet blocks and one other high quality block in the North Western section of the Barossa Valley were blended to create this wine. All blocks have shallow clay over limestone soils, easterly aspects, a gentle slope and a north-south row orientation.

Tasting Notes

A very lifted and pretty nose with herbaceous notes of mint, capsicum and tomato leaf leading the nose while supported by primary fruit characters of plum and sweet cherry. The flavour profile mirrors the nose but also includes dark chocolate and graphite. Grainy tannins provide the savoury edge and structure that supports and provides length to the otherwise fruit driven palate.

Winemaker Vinification Notes

"A combination of techniques including whole bunch addition and extended maceration were used to ensure complexity and varietal balance. The wine was basket-pressed into a combination of new (10%) and old French (90%) oak, where it underwent secondary fermentation. The wine was matured in oak for a total of 10 months. No fining or filtration was used in the production of this wine." – Winemaker, Andrew Quin

Winemaker Vintage Notes

2015 – "Heavy rainfall in June and early July provided an exciting start to the season but was followed by extremely dry conditions throughout spring and early summer resulting in budburst and flowering up to 3 weeks early. Although these dry conditions were a concern it was somewhat tempered by cool conditions through December and the first half of January. A rainfall incident of 70mm in mid-January pushed sugars back and was followed by perfect warm ripening conditions with 30-32°C days and cool nights down to 10°C persisting for 2 weeks. These conditions resulted in a fast late ripening curve that has produced rich vibrant fruit throughout." – Winemaker, Andrew Quin.

Wine Information

Country:	Australia
Region:	Barossa Valley
Winemaker:	Andrew Quin
Grape:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol:	14.4%
Total Acidity:	6.30g/L
pH:	3.75
Closure:	Screwcap
Bottle Size:	75cl
Case Size:	6 Bottles per pack

Awards

2015 - 95 Points - James Halliday
2014 - 95 Points - James Halliday
2013 - 94 Points - James Halliday
2012 - 93 Points - James Halliday