



# Bin 2 Shiraz Mourvedre

1997

PENFOLDS Bin 2 Shiraz-Mourvedre was first produced in 1960. It is a uniquely Australian wine made predominantly from Shiraz, and blended with Mourvedre and Grenache for extra complexity.

PENFOLDS Bin 2 is a soft, inviting wine with the Shiraz berry-fruit flavours complemented by the spicy characters of Mourvedre and a very small portion of Grenache.

VINEYARD REGION	Barossa Valley
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	"We've gotten out of jail - saved by a hot April." John Duval's comments perfectly sum up this year's vintage in much of Australia. For the sixth year in a row, most regions had a cool summer, and ripening was so delayed that vineyard managers and winemakers could not see how the fruit could possibly ripen, particularly in the cooler regions. But ripen it did, with wonderful late March and April weather.
GRAPE VARIETY	Grenache, Mourvedre, Shiraz (Syrah)
MATURATION	Matured for 8 months in used American oak
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.50% Acidity: 6.10g/L pH: 3.54
LAST TASTED	27-Jul-2000
PEAK DRINKING	Now - 2003
FOOD MATCHES	Beef, Duck & Game, Lamb

## Winemaker comments by John Duval

### COLOUR

Crimson with purple hues.

### NOSE

Delicately scented with some perfumed and violet tones. Nuances of prune combine with smoky characters and open up significantly, evolving in the glass.

### PALATE

Medium bodied in style, this wine exhibits youthful and vibrant primary fruits extending right across the palate. This wine shows an excellent balance of weight and fruit, a smooth and silky palate with rounded, soft tannins.