KALIMNA® BIN 28
SHIRAZ
2015

“Refined – in context! Inviting to drink at release. ‘Easy’. Dare to use an over-used descriptor, seamless – a beguiling continuum / balanced / polished.”

“No rough edges, nothing pokes out. But surely this is what Penfolds Kalimna Bin 28 Shiraz is meant to be? Yes, the stylistic template of 1959 remains intact.”

PETER GAGO
PENFOLDS CHIEF WINEMAKER

OVERVIEW
Kalimna® Bin 28 offers a showcase of warm climate Australian shiraz – ripe, robust and generously flavoured. First made in 1959, Bin 28 is named after the famous Barossa Valley Kalimna vineyard purchased by Penfolds in 1945 and from which the wine was originally sourced. Today, Kalimna® Bin 28 is a multi-region, multi-vineyard blend, with the Barossa Valley always well represented.

GRAPE VARIETY
Shiraz

VINEYARD REGION
McLaren Vale, Barossa Valley, Padthaway, Wrattonbully, Robe

WINE ANALYSIS
Alc/Vol: 14.5%, Acidity: 6.8 g/L, pH: 3.61

MATURATION
12 months in seasoned American oak hogsheads

VINTAGE CONDITIONS
Autumn and early winter rainfall were above the long-term average. Rain stopped abruptly in early August with only light showers observed throughout spring. Low top soil moisture halted canopy growth early in the season giving vines an open canopy. Warm and dry conditions continued throughout the season which resulted in rapid grapevine growth and early flowering. February brought weekend heat spikes, pushing mean maximum temperatures well above the average resulting in early ripening and harvest.

COLOUR
Dark deep red

NOSE
Exotic. A debut of camphor, lanolin, cold lamb, parsnip/vegetable stock. Courted by an ascent of vanilla sponge / teacake and rocky-road marshmallow. Followed by wafts of coffee ground spices and biscuity/wafery hazelnut.

PALATE
Vibrant, fresh and lively. Long, elongated tannins – sleek, slick and slender! Dark black-cherry fruit flavours, generous and more-ish! (And just why can’t we say Cherry Ripe!) Succulent; neither alcohol nor oak intrude. Unobtrusive acidity will ensure cellarability, should it (hopefully) be pursued.

PEAK DRINKING
Now - 2032

LAST TASTED
July 2017