Bin 389 Cabernet Shiraz
1990

The Bin 389 style evolved as a result of experiments, by Max Schubert, in the 1950s to develop a highly individual wine using a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz with compatible oak treatment.

Bin 389 combines the elegance of Cabernet Sauvignon with the richness of Shiraz and demonstrates the traditional Penfolds’ trademark - balance between fruit and oak, giving the wine character and longevity. This classic wine, from the exalted 1990 vintage, is one of the very best Bin 389's made since its inception in 1960.

**VINEYARD REGION**
Barossa Valley, Clare Valley, Coonawarra, McLaren Vale, Padthaway

**VINTAGE CONDITIONS**
A warm, dry year in most regions, yet a late vintage. Outstanding in Coonawarra and the warmer parts of South Australia - a lovely, trouble-free year. A wet vintage in the Hunter, but good, medium weight reds and whites.

**GRAPE VARIETY**
Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz

**MATURATION**
The wine was barrel fermented in American oak casks, followed by 18 months oak maturation.

**WINE ANALYSIS**
Alc/Vol: 13.70%
Acidity: 6.50g/L
pH: 3.40

**LAST TASTED**

**PEAK DRINKING**

**FOOD MATCHES**
Beef

**WINEMAKER COMMENTS**
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Deep red.

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