Bin 407 Cabernet Sauvignon
2007

Launched with the 1990 vintage in 1993, Penfolds Bin 407 was developed in response to the increasing availability of high-quality Cabernet Sauvignon fruit. Inspired by Penfolds Bin 707, Bin 407 offers varietal definition and approachability, yet with structure and depth of flavour.

A textbook Cabernet Sauvignon, the varietally expressive Bin 407 highlights the rewards of Penfolds multi-region, multi-vineyard blending, with a core of ripe fruit supported by a sensitive use of French and American oak.

"A serious Bin 407!"

"A surprisingly good follow-up to the fleshy 2006."

Penfolds Chief Winemaker - Peter Gago.

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VINEYARD REGION
South Australia - with significant parcels from Coonawarra, McLaren Vale and Langhorne Creek.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS
The 2007 vintage was difficult with low winter temperatures threatening severe frosts, followed by unusually high summer temperatures which placed pressure on water resources and fruit exposure. The resultant fruit ripened relatively quickly and was selectively & successfully harvested earlier, parcel by parcel, pursuing full flavours, structure and balance.

GRAPE VARIETY
Cabernet Sauvignon

MATURATION
This wine was matured for 13 months in French and American hogsheads, one third new with the balance in older oak.

WINE ANALYSIS
- Alc/Vol: 14.0%
- Acidity: 6.7g/L.
- pH: 3.50

LAST TASTED
October 2009

PEAK DRINKING
2010 - 2022.

FOOD MATCHES
Spring lamb rubbed with Moroccan spices.

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Winemaker comments by Peter Gago - Penfolds Chief Winemaker

A deep dark core radiating a bright crimson arc. Unmistakably Cabernet - no pretence. Varietal. Subtle oak and complexing V.A. sweetness court lavender / musk / cinammon... with a competing splash of exotic Middle-Eastern spices for good measure.

Bin 707-like complexities... how can this be?! Medium to full-bodied, with a firm finish aided & abetted by chunky Cabernet tannins. Cabernet tightness, with fruit sweetness (choco-mint, blackberry) and an overlay of dusty oak exposed via tell-tale cedar and vanillin nuances.

Linear / tight / defined.