



# Bin 389 Cabernet Shiraz

## 1994

Bin 389 combines the elegance of Cabernet Sauvignon with the richness of Shiraz and demonstrates the traditional Penfolds' trademark - perfect balance between fruit and oak, to produce a wine with rich varietal characters and cellaring potential.

The long Indian summer and late season in 1994 produced good quality Cabernet and Shiraz in South Australia. Carefully selected premium quality fruit together with 16 months in American oak have produced a classic wine in the traditional Bin 389 style.



VINEYARD REGION	Barossa Valley, Coonawarra, McLaren Vale
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	The spring and summer preceding the 1994 vintage were cool and dry in most parts of Australia, a very welcome change from the difficult, wet 1992 spring that had created so many problems the previous year. The result, however, was a very late vintage which had vineyard managers in the cooler areas doubting whether the grapes could possibly ripen fully. Luckily, a long mild autumn allowed full ripeness to be achieved in most areas. Sporadic frosts caused minor damage in some inland regions, but the season was generally trouble-free and marked by unusually low loss from disease.
GRAPE VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz
MATURATION	Matured in new, one and two-year-old American oak barrels for 16 months, including all those that held the previous vintage of Penfolds Grange.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.50% Acidity: 6.90g/L pH: 3.53
LAST TASTED	Penfolds Rewards of Patience, Sixth edition, 2008.
PEAK DRINKING	Now to 2015 - Penfolds Rewards of Patience, Sixth edition, 2008.
FOOD MATCHES	Beef

Winemaker comments by Penfolds Rewards of Patience, Sixth edition, 2008.

Deep red.

COLOUR

Dark chocolate, plummy, loamy aromas with some demi-glacé, mint notes.

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The palate is well focused with lovely strength and density of fruit. There are still some primary blackberry characters intertwined with evolved chocolaty, meaty demi-glacé fruit and savoury, malty oak. It finished with pronounced sappy firmness. Very strong, muscular wine with plenty of fruit volume.

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