



Bin 8 Cabernet Shiraz

2009

Bin 8 has been crafted in the traditional Penfolds style. Ripe, balanced fruit flavours are supported by softly integrated oak resulting in a silky, smooth red wine.

It was introduced in response to an interest in Cabernet Shiraz blends - a classic Australian wine style that caught the attention of the international wine media.

Although Penfolds Bin numbers were originally named after the original binning location after bottling, Bin 8 was given its number because it uses older oak previously used for Bin 128, Bin 28 and Bin 389 - with '8' obviously providing the common thread.



VINEYARD REGION	South Australia
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	The 2009 vintage was characterised by excellent rains in December, elevated temperatures in February prior to veraison, followed by ideal cool to mild temperatures leading into an ideal harvest.
GRAPE VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon (52%), Shiraz (48%)
MATURATION	This wine was matured for 12 months in seasoned American oak.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14.5% Acidity: 6.6g/L pH: 3.53
LAST TASTED	November 2011
PEAK DRINKING	Drinking well now but will continue to gain further complexity with short-medium term cellaring 2011-2016.
FOOD MATCHES	Ideal with herb encrusted rack of lamb.

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Winemaker comments by Peter Gago - Penfolds Chief Winemaker

Bright crimson.

Lifted aromas of black cherry / roasted eggplant and freshly baked fruit cake. Oak is well integrated with complex creamy vanillin and butterscotch characters.

Medium bodied but very focussed showing fig, quince and black olive fruit flavours.

Sweet fruit intensity, with volume and balance. Fine structured savoury tannins provide excellent length on the finish.