

Penfolds

Bin 128 Shiraz

1998

Penfolds Bin 128 Shiraz is one of the few Penfolds wines that is not a multi-regional blend. The grapes for this wine are sourced exclusively from the Coonawarra region in South Australia. A premium wine made from Shiraz grown at selected Coonawarra vineyards, it has the distinct aromatic, pepper and spice characters of cool climate Coonawarra Shiraz.



VINEYARD REGION	Coonawarra
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	1998 was an outstanding vintage. Spring rains compensated for a particularly dry winter. A warm summer led to an early harvest in most regions. The Coonawarra delivered very strong Shiraz with full ripeness and little leafy characters.
GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz (Syrah)
MATURATION	Aged 12 months in new (20%) and seasoned French oak.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.8% Acidity: 6.6g/L pH: 3.53
LAST TASTED	2000-08-28
PEAK DRINKING	Now - 2008
FOOD MATCHES	Cheese, Duck & Game

Winemaker comments

COLOUR

Bright crimson red

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A combination of savoury spices including white pepper and youthful, fleshy plum and blackberry fruit. The lively, rich fruit aromas are complemented by notes of freshly shelled walnut and pistachio with a hint of Chinese roasted pork.

PALATE

Lively and ripe forward flavors of archetypal Coonawarra Shiraz fruit - Damson plum, blackberry and beetroot. The generous sweet mid-palate richness provides a lively character that is gently pampered by stylish, softened oak tannins.