

FATHER GRAND TAWNY

MINIMUM AVERAGE BLENDED AGE 10 YEARS

“Grand in classification, Grand in age,
Grand in style. A pivotal connection
between freshness and complexity.”

PETER GAGO
Penfolds Chief Winemaker



OVERVIEW	With compelling quality and provenance, Penfolds Father Grand Tawny is a tribute to over 170 years of Penfolds winemaking excellence. A blend of outstanding wines matured in seasoned small oak casks, achieving a minimum average blended age of ten years. The combination of extended maturation and Penfolds extensive experience in crafting fine Tawny wines, has resulted in a wine with concentration, vitality, exceptional balance of fruit, nutty oak age complexity and distinctive spirit. All of these elements culminate in a balanced, clean and lingering tight finish. Marrying the fruit-driven styles of Club and Club Reserve with the complexity and concentration of the more mature expressions, Father Grand Tawny provides an elegant continuation of the Penfolds ‘House Style’.
VINEYARD REGION	Selected South Australian vineyards.
GRAPE VARIETY	A blend of multiple varieties – including but not limited to – Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro and Cabernet.
SPIRIT SELECTION	A specifically selected ex-still fortifying spirit that contributes and enhances the finer varietal flavours and structure while lifting and enhancing the age complexity. Traditionally sourced between 78 and 85%v/v the key element of the spirit is its ability to fully integrate quickly and be soft and round without any hot or aggressive elements.
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Each blend of Penfolds Father Grand Tawny is crafted utilising many vintages and varieties, capturing the best attributes of each to ensure a consistent and complex wine. On average a blend of Father Grand Tawny utilises some 15 different vintages. This ensures the individual vintage nuances are combined to create a consistent Tawny year after year.
MATURATION	Individual varietal components from each vintage allocation are aged separately in seasoned old oak casks. Many of these casks have been used for maturation of fortified for many decades and have been specifically selected for this wine to ensure the development and characters are consistent and true to the house and Tawny style. While some of these casks can be in excess of 70 years old, they may have only matured as few as six to eight different components over that time.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc: 18.5%, Acidity: 5.7g/L, pH: 3.5, Bé: 8.0
LAST TASTED	April 2014.
PEAK DRINKING	Penfolds Father Grand Tawny has been fully matured and blended for immediate enjoyment.
COLOUR	Medium tawny with hints of yellow and green at the edge.
NOSE	Fragrant and fresh with oak complexity. Toasted nuts, chocolate, raisin plum fruits, clove spice and a distinctive aniseed lift.
PALATE	Arguably the most refined wine in Penfolds Tawny portfolio, replete with elegance and power. Exhibiting sweet fruitcake flavours, obvious wood aged complexity and concentration. The finish is fresh with a wonderful balance and lingering intensity.