

Penfolds®

CLUB RESERVE CLASSIC TAWNY

MINIMUM AVERAGE BLENDED AGE 5 YEARS

“The Angel’s Share was not all taken.
‘Reserve’ used in this context is indeed validated.”

PETER GAGO

Penfolds Chief Winemaker



OVERVIEW

A signature expression within the Penfolds fortified collection of wines, Club Reserve is a definitive aged ‘Classic’ Tawny with a minimum average blended age between five and ten years. Since 1985 Penfolds has been identifying the best parcels of Club Tawny and reserving them for additional maturation. These selected parcels are then skilfully blended to create Club Reserve, with the additional ageing adding further complexity and concentration of flavours. Rich in fruit and intensity – hallmarks of the Penfolds Tawny style – Club Reserve is crafted to be enjoyed on release, alongside the other members of the Penfolds fortified collection.

VINEYARD REGION

Selected South Australian vineyards.

GRAPE VARIETY

A blend of multiple varieties – including but not limited to – Shiraz, Mataro and Grenache.

SPIRIT SELECTION

An ex-still fortifying spirit that is selected for its distinctive aroma, flavour and softness combined with its ability to quickly integrate and enhance the varietal flavours.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Each blend of Penfolds Club Reserve Classic Tawny is crafted utilising multiple vintages and varieties to ensure the maintenance of a consistent and complex wine, year after year. In an average blend, Club Reserve may utilise as many as ten individual vintages ranging from two to fifteen years of age.

MATURATION

Individual Penfolds Club components from multiple vintages and varieties are identified as having the capacity for additional ageing and are retained in seasoned old oak casks for additional maturation. These individual components are then blended to craft a consistent style that is Club Reserve Classic Tawny.

WINE ANALYSIS

Alc: 17.8%v/v, Acidity: 4.8g/L; pH: 3.53; B_e: 7.3

LAST TASTED

April 2014.

PEAK DRINKING

Aged and blended to full maturity and ready for immediate enjoyment.

COLOUR

Medium tawny with a hint of crimson.

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Fresh lifted citrus and roasted nuts, dried fruits and a hint of vanillin combined with distinctive spirit-derived aniseed.

PALATE

Mellow and rich with a dense and rich palate exhibiting the beginnings of wood-aged complexity and concentration. Wonderful balance with fresh distinctive flavour and length.