

MAX'S CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2019

OVERVIEW

Penfolds Max's Cabernet Sauvignon is a tribute to former Chief Winemaker Max Schubert 1948 -1975 a legend in Penfolds history. Max's constant pursuit of excellence paved the way for those who followed in his footsteps and also allowed the status and heritage of Penfolds to grow. Max's Cabernet Sauvignon displays the Penfolds 'stamp' inspired by Max Schubert.

GRAPE VARIETY

Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD REGION

Padthaway, Wrattonbully, Coonawarra, McLaren Vale

WINE ANALYSIS

Alc: 14.5%, Acidity: 6.2 g/L, pH: 3.63

MATURATION

14 months in American oak (23% new), French oak (4% new), with the balance in 1 year old and seasoned hogsheads.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The South East growing districts of South Australia enjoyed above average winter rainfall, while McLaren Vale recorded well below average. September temperatures were cool with little rainfall, resulting in some isolated frost events. Summer was generally hot, with high temperatures delaying veraison. Irrigation was crucial to keep vines in good health. The proximity of the Southern Ocean played an important role in moderating temperatures allowing for a high quality harvest, albeit with smaller yields than average.

COLOUR

Plum red

NOSE

Spices, spices, spices! No question they are the hero element in this vintage. A swirl releases an aromatic kaleidoscope of cumin, fresh clove, paprika and cardamom.

Aromas of roasted spring vegetables in olive oil, with lamb and rosemary round out the offer.

PALATE

Classically varietal rhubarb vibrancy and flavour profile, with earthy freshly grated beetroot, cranberry sweetness and lush summer pudding.

Powdery tannins combining with (oak derived) creamy cashews and walnuts give a felt like texture/mouthfeel.

PEAK DRINKING

Now - 2029

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