

PENLEY ESTATE

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Release: March 1993

Variety: 100% Shiraz

Area: 100% Coonawarra

Analysis: Alcohol 12.5% v/v, Acid 6.6 pH 3.42

Objective: To create a youthful, rich and mellow wine. Created to drink now. A wine of varietal fruit but only the hint of American oak. Oak will complete the flavours and enhance the fruit. This wine must show area characteristics, varietal fruit and have plenty of flavour.

Vintage Comment: Classic Coonawarra year with strong distinct aromas, but maintaining elegance of style.

The Wine: The colour is crimson, but will develop some amber tints from its oak maturation and later bottle age.

The aroma is varietal with a complex of peppery and berry like features. Strong lifted aromas of variety and oak. The flavour is young and fruity. A soft and rich middle palate with only the trace of oak tannin on the finish. Slightly bigger and rounder style with a rich length of flavour.

Maturation: The oak is minimal but discernible so the small amount of wood tannin and fruit flavours will aid maturation if required. Best enjoyed for the next 1-3 years.

Premium wine must have the ability for some bottle age, since there is sometimes 1-2 years between bottling and actual drinking.

Winemaking: 50% matured in American oak hogsheads for one year. 10% matured in French oak hogsheads for one year.

Awards:

Certificate of
Excellence Masters of Wine 1994 (UK)
Bronze Medal Class 15 1992 Perth Show
Bronze Medal Class 32 1992 Adelaide Show
Bronze Medal Class 26 1992 Hobart Show
Bronze Medal "INTERVIN" North America 1993
Bronze Medal Class 39 1993 Brisbane Show
Bronze Medal Class 44 1993 Melbourne Show
Bronze Medal Class 20 1993 Perth Show
Bronze Medal Class 30 1993 Canberra Show
Bronze Medal Class 37 1994 Sydney Show