

PENLEY ESTATE

1989 CABERNET SAUVIGNON TASTING NOTES

Released: March, 1992
Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon
Area: Coonawarra, South Australia
Analysis: Alcohol 12.5%, Acid 6.7g/l, pH 3.37

The Style: This classic Australian red wine captures and enhances the distinctive characters of Coonawarra. These characters are highlighted by rich berry tones with a great length and depth of flavour.

The Wine: The colour is bright with deep crimson and some amber tints. The palate has integrated fruit and oak which give a rich berry flavour integrated with strong oak and grape tannins that give important astringency.

Maturation: While it is difficult to recommend maturation periods, this wine with Period; its palate balance and finely tuned tannins, will allow a minimum of 5 - 10 years to achieve its full potential.

Winemaking: The balance is very important if the wine is to mature successfully in the bottle. The key winemaking elements needed are:

1. Varietal flavour
2. Choice of blend of oak types
3. Finely tuned acid and astringency

Matured in American and French Nevers oak for twenty months, the wine was bottled in February, 1991.

Awards: National Bank Trophy, 1990 Adelaide Show
(Best dry red table wine - Classes 6-8)
Aberfeldy Cellars Trophy, 1991 Hobart Show
(Best Cabernet Sauvignon in the Show)
Sydney International Winemakers Competition Trophy
Top 100 1992 (Best medium to full bodied dry red)
Australian Wine Society Trophy 1992 Melbourne Show
(Best Dry Red Table Wine in Open Classes)
Sydney International Winemakers Competition, 1991 Top 100
Nomination - Caon Tucker Trophy 1993 Sydney Show (best Show Wine for 1992)
SA Hyatt Regency Awards 1991 - Runner Up
Jimmy Watson Trophy - Runner Up Class 22 1990 Melbourne Show
12 Gold Medals
9 Silver Medals
10 Bronze Medals

Export Awards: Gold Medal "INTERVIN" 1993, North America
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Silver Medal "WINE":International Wine Challenge 1992
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Silver Medal "WINE" International Wine Challenge 1993

Domestic Awards: Bronze Medal Class 37 1999 National Wine Show of Australia (Canberra)