



2006 PENLEY ESTATE CHERTSEY BORDEAUX BLEND

WINEMAKER :	Kym Tolley
REGION :	Coonawarra, South Australia
VARIETALS :	Cabernet Sauvignon (57%), Merlot (28%), Cab Franc (15%)
MATURATION :	100% New French Oak for 24 months
ALCOHOL :	15% alc/vol

BACKGROUND :

The Chertsey name has been an integral part of the Tolley family for centuries. Not only is it the name of the UK village that the Tolley family inhabited in the 1800's, it was also bestowed upon the Tolley family home on migrating to Australia.

VINTAGE & WINEMAKING NOTES :

Winter rains and spring temperatures were average and resulted in a late budburst, followed by warm conditions that produced ideal flowering. Very cool but dry January delayed veraison and a wet March delayed completion of harvest well into May, however this long cool maturation produced intense flavors, aromatics and colors. The Chertsey is made from 100% estate grown fruit and is lightly filtered, which gives the wine greater complexity.

TASTING NOTES :

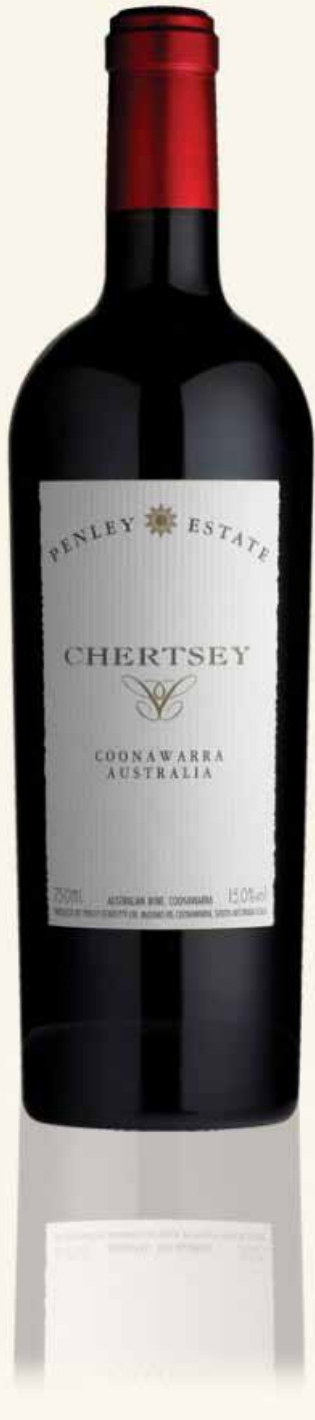
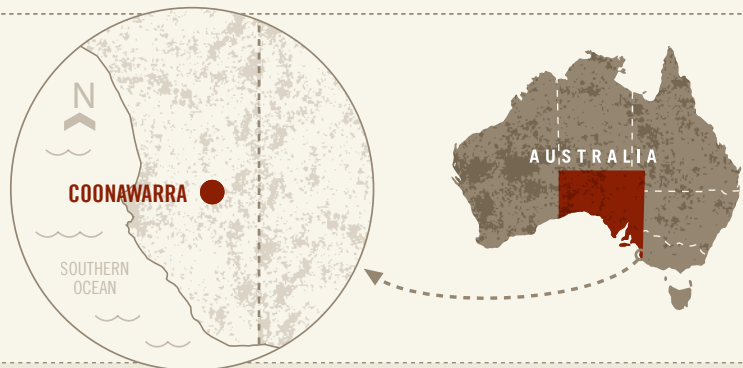
A very complex and intense aroma, quite fresh and vibrant highlighting the characteristics of the 3 grape varieties, violets and spice from the Merlot, cherry/savory aromas from the Cabernet Franc and berry/earthy elements from the Cabernet Sauvignon. A very attractive wine and a true reflection of balance, elegance and power.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

93 pts Stephen Tanzer, 91pts Robert Parker, 91pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT PENLEY ESTATE :

Penley Estate is located in the heart of Australia's greatest Cabernet wine region: Coonawarra. Owner Kym Tolley, a direct descendant of the pioneering Penfold and Tolley winemaking families, has over 25 years winemaking experience, including tutelage under Grange creator Max Schubert. Continuing a family tradition that spans five generations, Tolley established Penley in 1988 on Coonawarra's famed terra rossa soils, with the aim of producing terroir-driven wines of true regional character. Penley is now regarded as one of the region's leading producers.



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