

COONAWARRA
PENLEY ESTATE
AUSTRALIA



2007 PENLEY ESTATE CONDOR CABERNET SAUVIGNON SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: Kym Tolley
REGION: Coonawarra, South Australia
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon (75%), Shiraz (25%)
MATURATION: A portion was barrel fermented, followed by maturation in 3% new French oak and 25% new American oak
ALCOHOL: 15% alc/vol

VINTAGE NOTES:

A dry and cold winter was followed by severe frosts during spring and early summer throughout the region. Summer was very dry with warm to hot days and mild to cool nights. Significant rainfall in January provided relief and enough moisture to carry the vines through to harvest.

WINEMAKING:

The complexity behind Penley Estate's Condor wine is the result of blending the two varieties and using a range of oak to produce a style that highlights the traditional (Shiraz) and the contemporary (Cabernet Sauvignon) grapes of Coonawarra.

TASTING NOTES:

The Shiraz grape gives the wine ripe, sweet berry and a touch of pepper spice to the bouquet whilst the cabernet gives it depth of color, rich blackberry fruits and soft tannins. A full bodied style with accent on fruit and not harsh tannins. This wine has fragrant ripe berries and some chocolate and savory smokey elements. The palate has generous silky tannins coupled with the sweet, soft fragrant berry fruit gives great balance.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 2007 vintage - not yet rated

2006 vintage - **90 pts** Stephen Tanzer, **89 pts** Robert Parker, **89 pts** James Halliday, **88 pts** Wine Enthusiast

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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