



2012 PENLEY ESTATE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Review Summary



95 pts “Submerged cap header boards, matured for 21 months in French oak (86% new, the rest 1yo). Cassis, earth, mint, oak and tannins all contribute in one way or another to this powerful expression of Coonawarra; has a good future.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
2016

92 pts “Opaque ruby. Expressive cherry and dark berry aromas are complemented by woodsmoke, cured tobacco and vanilla. Spicy, concentrated and seamless on the palate, offering gently sweet blackberry and cherry-vanilla flavors brightened by juicy acidity. Closes smooth, spicy and very long, with velvety tannins building slowly and folding into the wine's juicy, oak-spiced fruit.”

Josh Raynolds
Vinous
March 2016

89 – Very Good “This dark ruby colored Cabernet Sauvignon from down under is unique. It opens with black currant and eucalyptus bouquet. On the palate, this wine is full bodied, balanced and fruit forward. The flavor profile is a tart black cherry and flinty mineral blend with notes of integrated blackberry jam and old oak. The finish is dry and its dusty tannins and fruit flavors linger for quite a while. This Cab is interesting, as it is a clash of styles. It is interesting ripe fruit and a minerally vibe melded together. I would decant it for an hour and serve with a flat iron steak.”

Ken Hoggins
KensWineGuide.com
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