

2019 PENLEY ESTATE

FRANCIS CABERNET FRANC



WINEMAKER: Kate Goodman
REGION: Coonawarra, South Australia
VARIETALS: Cabernet Franc
MATURATION: Stainless steel
ANALYSIS: 13.0% alc/vol | 5.1 g/L TA | 3.51 pH

VINTAGE NOTES: Coonawarra received good winter rains leading into the growing season. A cool and dry April was perfect for ripening, allowing full flavor development and optimal sugar levels. Yields of red wine grapes were between average to slightly below the long-term average.

WINEMAKER NOTES: The grapes are picked by hand and immediately transported the short distance to the winery. 40% were kept as whole bunches and 30% of the berries underwent complete carbonic maceration. The wine sees no oak and is bottled young and fresh.

TASTING NOTES: Youthful, modern and vibrant. This unoaked Cabernet Franc is driven by a fragrant fruit profile. Bursting with complex whole bunch characters, violets, Turkish delight and spice. The palate is juicy and delicious, with a textural framework of tannin supporting the core of intensely flavored fruit. A generous and flavorsome wine for any occasion.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 92 pts Editors' Choice Wine Enthusiast

ABOUT PENLEY: Penley Estate is located in the heart of one of Australia's greatest Cabernet wine regions: Coonawarra. Established in 1988 by the direct descendants of the pioneering Penfold and Tolley winemaking families, Coonawarra's famed Terra Rossa soils were selected for their ability to produce terroir-driven wines of true regional character. The Estate is now widely regarded as one of the region's leading producers.

