

2019 PENLEY ESTATE

TOLMER CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINEMAKER: Kate Goodman
REGION: Coonawarra, South Australia
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon
MATURATION: 12 months maturation in French oak (30% new) followed by 6 months in stainless steel
ANALYSIS: 14.5% alc/vol | 6.5 g/L TA | 3.56 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.

WINEMAKING: Sourced from older vines on the estate, Tolmer has a more textural tannin profile. In the cellar, small lots are vinified separately utilizing only natural yeast to offer many options for the final blend. Some lots will see extended maceration for up to 30 days to add texture and tannin. The wine is aged in French oak barrels for 12 months (30% new) before being blended in stainless steel to marry flavors prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES: The Tolmer is a modern expression of Coonawarra cabernet showcasing intense blackcurrants and savoury notes of French oak. It's medium-bodied without being heavy and has a generous core of juicy fruits with well-integrated chalky tannins. The seamless finish rounds off a bright, fragrant wine that can be enjoyed now or cellared for a few more years.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 93 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 93 pts JamesSuckling.com, 92 pts Wine Spectator

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.

