

# 2017 PENLEY ESTATE

## ATLAS SHIRAZ



**WINEMAKER:** Kate Goodman  
**REGION:** Coonawarra, South Australia  
**VARIETALS:** Shiraz  
**MATURATION:** 14 months in 15% new French oak  
**ANALYSIS:** 14.5% alc/vol | 6.5 g/L TA | 3.60 pH

**VINTAGE NOTES:** The growing season was drier than average, and careful irrigation to optimize flavor development worked very well. Harvest was two weeks early, the result of a warmer than average October which advanced the whole season. There was a cooler finish with mild ripening conditions. The Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz have full palate richness whilst being medium bodied with fine tannins and excellent color.

**TASTING NOTES:** Dark plum red in color. Ripe black and red fruits dominate the nose with notes of mulberries, plums, raspberries and blackberries. Cool climate spice notes of black pepper pop through the dense fruit, with a smattering of exotic cinnamon and star anise. The palate is medium bodied with great length and intensity. Structured, fine tannins build the palate which finishes bright and fresh.

**CRITICAL ACCLAIM:** 89 pts - Robert Parker Wine Advocate

**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.

