

## 2021 PENLEY PHOENIX CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### Review Summary

Penley.

**92 pts** “Notes of ripe dark fruit with hints of eucalyptus, cedar, leafy herbs and wet stones. Medium-bodied with polished tannins. Juicy and fresh with crunchy berry fruit and blue flowers. Gentle, but long. Drink now.”

JamesSuckling.com  
January 2023

**91 pts** “Coonawarra cabernet, of which 70% spent 12 months in French oak (65% new), the remainder matured in tank only. Freshness was clearly a priority of the winemaking team. Boysenberry, plum, juicy blackcurrant and grass-like characters burst energetically onto the palate. There’s a chalk dust character in play here too, which is entirely varietal, along with crisp apple-like acidity. A gentle whisper of chocolate finishes off an attractive red wine.”

Campbell Mattinson  
Halliday Wine Companion  
October 2022

**91 pts** “The 2021 Phoenix Cabernet Sauvignon spent 15 days on skins with twice daily pumpers and matured in a combination of vessels for 12 months (65% seasoned French oak, 5% new French oak, 30% in stainless steel). This is an unashamedly bright, fruit-driven Cabernet Sauvignon that rests on a very fine rachis of tannin on the mid-palate. It is supple and fine and oh so fresh. It is modern, juicy, vibrant and crunchy, even, reminiscent of good Loire Chinon. It is also a very good value.”

Erin Larkin  
Robert Parker Wine Advocate  
April 2023