2021 PENLEY TOLMER CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINEMAKER: REGION: VARIETALS: MATURATION: Kate Goodman Coonawarra, South Australia Cabernet Sauvignon 12 months in French oak (30% new) followed by 6 months in stainless steel 14.5% alc/vol | 6.2g/I TA | 3.5 pH

ANALYSIS:

VINTAGE NOTES: 2021 was excellent in terms of vine balance, yield and therefore quality! Weather throughout the growing season was mild, with few extremes of heat or cold. We experienced early shoot development, flowering and then a lengthy ripening period. In terms of these seasonal conditions, it might be said that it's been the most representative Coonawarra season in the last 20 years! In terms of harvest, vine balance was represented by optimum yields and complex flavors resulting from well developed and maintained canopies.

TASTING NOTES: On the nose, boysenberry, bay leaf and a sprinkle of cinnamon and anise. The palate is dense and fleshy, but without heaviness – this one has pep to the step! Flavors of cassis and forest fruits so bright and juicy on your palate. So much flavor, but there's a lick of tannin to hold it all together, like smooth pebbles rolling along your tongue.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet rated. Last vintage: 94 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 92 pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT PENLEY: Penley - also known as 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 terroirdriven wines of true regional character. Penley is now widely regarded as one of the region's leading producers, with winemaker Kate Goodman awarded Halliday Wine Companion Winemaker of the Year 2024, with a 5-Star rating for the winery. It's also committed to reducing its environmental footprint, from moving toward organic vineyard practices, to the lightweight bottles. In 2023, the winery and vineyards were certified by Sustainable Winegrowing Australia.





