

2019 PENLEY ESTATE

STEYNING CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Penley.

**WINEMAKER:**

Kate Goodman

REGION:

Coonawarra, South Australia

VARIETALS:

Cabernet Sauvignon

MATURATION:

50% large format French oak foudre, 25% new French oak barrels, 25% seasoned French oak barrels

ANALYSIS:

14.5% alc/vol | 6.5 g/L TA

VINTAGE: Wet conditions following the end of the 2017 vintage carried on through winter and spring with above average rainfall for the start of the 2018 season. In the Penley Estate vineyards steps were taken to ensure optimum canopies for the conditions. Shoot thinning was employed to improve canopy microclimate where necessary. Existing populations of native grasses and cover crops were left to grow to compete with vines for moisture, restricting vine growth and keeping shoots from growing beyond ideal length and density.

TASTING NOTES: Concentrated aromas of black olive, cassis, mulberry leather and dark chocolate. The densely concentrated fruit is supported by cedar notes from the French oak. A wine of complexity and length bolstered by brooding savory tannins. Drinking fantastically now and will age gracefully well into the future. An excellent example of Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 95 pts Halliday Wine Companion, 93 pts JamesSuckling.com, 93 pts Wine Enthusiast, 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.

