

2019 YERINGBERG

YERINGBERG (BORDEAUX BLEND)



WINEMAKER: Guill and Sandra de Pury
REGION: Yarra Valley, Victoria
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon (55%), Cabernet Franc (13%), Merlot (13%), Petit Verdot (10%), Malbec (9%)
MATURATION: 23 months in 100% French oak barriques (40% new)
ANALYSIS: 13.5% alc/vol | TA 6.2 g/L | pH 3.49

WINEMAKING: The 46th vintage of a Yeringberg from old vines. 2019 was an outstanding vintage which continues to reinforce the belief that the Yarra Valley is perfectly suited for elegant Cabernet blends. The slow and extended ripening period was a feature of this season. Yeringberg is always a 'field' blend, ie the vineyard and the vintage determine the final blend, not the winemaker. The fruit is all hand picked, and very carefully sorted. The grapes are destemmed and crushed, then fermented in small open top tanks and hand plunged. Time on skins ranged from 12-15 days. The wine was aged in French oak barriques for 23 months, about 40% new.

TASTING NOTES: Our Yeringberg blend is what it is because, when it's on song, it's a wine of grace, completeness and elegant complexity, in which the bit players round out and add intrigue to the story being told by the main characters. Wonderful aromas of cassis, plum, violets, cigar box and clove dance effortlessly amongst notes of liquorice, leather, tapenade and graphite - everything seamless, delicately rich and beautifully poised. The palate, fresh, savory and rounded, has an almost willowy elegance that gives a sense of lift and flow that belie the underlying depth of fruit and savory, superfine structure.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 98 pts/TOP 100 Halliday Wine Companion, 96 pts JamesSuckling.com

ABOUT YERINGBERG: Yeringberg was established in 1863 on pristine, cool climate vineyards in the Coldstream area of Yarra Valley. Guill de Pury and daughter Sandra make wines for the new millennium from the low-yielding vines re-established in the heart - just nine acres - of what was one of the most famous (and infinitely larger) vineyards of the 19th century. In the riper years, the red wines have a velvety generosity of flavor rarely encountered, while never losing varietal character; the long-lived Marsanne Roussanne takes students of history back to Yeringberg's fame in the 19th century.

