



2014 Singlefile
Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot
Frankland River, Great Southern



Vineyard & Winemaking

The continental cool climate sub-region of Frankland River sits within the north west corner of the Great Southern wine region (its latitude 34°39'S), and is well suited to the later ripening varieties including cabernet sauvignon, merlot and malbec.

This wine is a blend of 78% cabernet sauvignon, 21% Merlot and 1% Malbec, The fruit was picked and sorted in April 2014. It was cold soaked in a small fermenter for twelve days before undergoing an extended and gentle maceration allowing for the softening of the tannins. Forty percent of the wine was matured in new Bordeaux oak barriques. The balance went to one year old (30%) and two year old (30%) Bordeaux barriques for ten months and bottle aged for a further seven months.

The Wine

This wine displays bright and lifted aromas of black currant and bay leaf, and gentle oak support. The wine is effortlessly mouth filling with juicy red fruit flavours balanced with acidity and gentle fine grained tannins which lead to a long finish. It is well suited to red meat dishes such as a roast leg of lamb with garlic and herbs. It will continue to develop in the bottle for up to eight to ten years.

Technical Specifications

Alc: 13.8%

pH: 3.55

TA: 5.55 g/L

'semper superne nitens'