

GREAT SOUTHERN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# TASTING NOTES

# 2016 Singlefile Great Southern Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Great Southern, Western Australia



#### VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

This wine is a blend of 79% cabernet sauvignon and 21% Merlot. The fruit was picked and sorted in late April 2016. It was cold soaked in small fermenters 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 maturation before blending the two wines. It was then bottle aged for a further seven months.

### THE WINE

This wine displays bright and lifted aromas of dark berry 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 eight to ten years.

## 92 Points, Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS Alc: 14.3% pH: 3.68 TA: 5.42 g/L rs: 0.47 g/L Cellaring: Up to 15 years