

— GREAT SOUTHERN — WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TASTING NOTES

2017 Singlefile Single Vineyard Frankland River Cabernet Sauvignon

Riversdale Vineyard 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). The Riversdale vineyard, planted in 1997 on deep gravel over clay soils, on a north-south orientation, is located 7kms north west of the Frankland River township.

The 2017 winter saw lots of rainfall that continued into spring. Summer was dry and warm with some big rains in February 2017. These provided plenty of water for the vines, providing excellent growing conditions. Ripeness was achieved at relatively low sugar levels.

This wine is 100% cabernet sauvignon, the fruit picked and sorted in mid April 2017. It was cold soaked in a small fermenter for twelve days before undergoing an extended and gentle maceration. Post-fermentation, the wine was left on skins for ten days. 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 fifteen months.

THE WINE

This wine displays complex aromas of black currant, plum and cassis, with savoury earthiness and gentle oak support. The wine is effortlessly mouth filling with a juicy dark 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.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alc: 14.5%

pH: 3.63

TA: 5.9 g/L

rs: 0.8 g/L

Cellaring: Up to 30 years