



John Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

First made in 1982, the John Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon was conceived as a flagship wine for Wynns. John Riddoch himself was a true visionary. Amongst his many achievements are the building of the Wynns Gabled winery and the establishment of Coonawarra Fruit Colony.

John Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon is made in small quantities from the best available fruit grown on the estate's extensive Cabernet Sauvignon plantings in the heart of the terra rossa soil. It has become a definitive Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon, made only in years when grapes of extraordinarily high quality are available, using less than one percent of the top-quality Cabernet Sauvignon grapes

Winemaker Comments: Sue Hodder and Sarah Pidgeon

Variety

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Conditions 2021

In 2021, the Coonawarra vintage was as close to optimal as compared to the last 30 years. The preceding winter and spring were below average in rainfall. A warmer spring led to a great, fast flowering and set. Some “green harvest” was required to achieve balanced yields for quality. There were moderate temperatures throughout the season, with no extreme heat or cold. The 2021 wines have a notable colour iridescence that follows to fruit vibrancy and depth of flavour. We certainly acknowledge the 2021 vintage as a great one for Wynns.

Wine Analysis

Alcohol 13.5% pH 3.56 Acidity 6.9g/L Residual Sugar 0.3g/L

Peak Duration

Enjoy on release, or carefully cellar for up to 30 years.

Maturation

Matured for 16 months in French oak barrels of which 48%

were hogsheads and 52% were barriques.

Color

Deep red with a purple hue

Nose

An immediate lifted bouquet of scented florals and red fruits. Violets and rose petal aromas are a hallmark of a great Wynns vintage and the 2021 has them in abundance. Berries and cherries are apparent with hints of dried sage.

Palate

Fresh red and dark cherry palate is lively and alluring. Supple and very fine tannins meshed with fresh acidity. The 2021 has the piquancy of a young wine, yet it is already integrated for drinking. Chestnuts and dark chocolate are apparent on the finish. A classic medium bodied Cabernet with moderate alcohol and the hallmark Wynns balance.

Perfect Pairing

Tagliatelle with Black Truffles and a hint of grated pecorino.