



Wynns Coonawarra Estate

Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2004



Wynns Coonawarra Estate was the first winery to be established in the Coonawarra, by John Riddoch in 1896. The winery is located on the world famous strip of 'Terra Rossa' soil that produces fruit of an exceptional quality.

This year's Wynns Coonawarra Estate Cabernet Shiraz Merlot is a fine example of the style, from an excellent vintage. Wynns Cabernet Shiraz Merlot is a rich and complex wine yet with enhanced softness derived from the blending of these three classic red grape varieties. The softness plus judicious use of oak has created a wine perfect for current drinking or short-term cellaring.

Vineyard Region

Coonawarra

Vintage Conditions

There was an ideal growing season leading up to the 2004 vintage, with average temperatures and rainfall in the winter and spring. Cool and dry conditions in January promoted slow ripening conditions which continued despite warmer weather in February and March. The fresh red fruit flavours with hallmark mintiness will ensure that 2004 is recognised as an excellent Coonawarra vintage.

Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz (Syrah), Merlot

Maturation

This wine was matured for an average of 10 months in a combination of new, one and two-year-old French and American oak.

Winemaker Comments: Sue Hodder



Colour

Deep cherry red. Bright with a good depth of colour.



Nose

The nose shows aromas of fragrant dark plums and violets.



Palate

A medium bodied wine with flavours of dark berry and plums with an underlying caramel oak texture. Supple tannins and soft acidity complete the offering from a vintage that shows well-defined fruit flavours.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 13.5%

Last Tasted

16 Jun 2006

Peak Drinking

Now - 2010

Food Matches

Ideally suited to Beef, Lamb, Pork

