



Wynns Coonawarra Estate

Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2005



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.

Regional Source

Coonawarra.

Vintage Conditions

Coonawarra experienced a cool, dry summer with the grapes ripening evenly and early. Overall, perfect vintage weather with no rain offered a great opportunity to make wines of classic varietal character and longevity.

Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz (Syrah), Merlot.

Maturation

This wine was matured for 12 months in a combination of new and seasoned French and American oak.

Winemaker Comments: Sue Hodder



Colour

Dark plum red with a purple hue.



Nose

The nose shows aromas of cherries and plums with hints of mint.



Palate

The palate is dark and minty, with tight but juicy tannins. The flavours are long and persistent with creamy oak notes adding great background texture.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 13.5%

Last Tasted

1 November 2006

Peak Drinking

Now - 2011

Food Matches

Ideally suited to beef, lamb and pork.