



WYNNS
COONAWARRA ESTATE



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COONAWARRA FAMOUS

Cabernet Shiraz Merlot 2006

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 with enhanced softness derived from the blending of these three classic red grape varieties. Its soft fruit plus judicious oak handling has created a wine perfect for current drinking or short-term cellaring.

The 2006 Cabernet Shiraz Merlot is a balanced and approachable wine reflecting its regionality and vintage conditions.

Winemaker Comments Sue Hodder

Vineyard Region

Coonawarra

Vintage Conditions

A dry, warm winter was followed by a spring with limited frost concerns. Overall vine health was excellent, with good bud burst. January was hot and dry, tempered by a cool February that steadied ripening. Warm weather at harvest ensured full flavour development. Harvest was over by 19 April.

Technical Analysis

Harvest Date

pH 3.56

Acidity 6.10g/L

Alcohol 14.0%

Residual Sugar g/L

Bottling Date

Peak Drinking A joy on release, reaching an anticipated maturity in 3-5 years.

Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Merlot

Maturation

Parcels of this wine were matured for 14 months in American and French oak.

Colour

Dark opaque hue with bright crimson/purple rim.

Nose

The wine has a lifted perfumed nose redolent of raspberries and red plums with hints of spice and cinnamon. It shows the generous fruit aromas of Shiraz and some of the lifted floral notes of Cabernet and Merlot.

Palate

This is a generous wine showing ripe cassis, bright plums and brambly fruits. The blend of varieties melds to produce a supple and seamless palate profile. It has fine grained, well integrated tannins and a lingering finish that is well supported by creamy, stylish oak.

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