

FOUNDER'S VIEW

Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage: 2023

Region: Barossa, South Australia

Alcohol: 14.5%

The Founder's View range brings in the best of our grower fruit into these blends allowing flexibility in finding that ultimate blend. They are trusted partnerships with growers who we have worked with for years. We take grapes sourced from a range of vineyards, to enable us to build layers into the wine aiming for complex and complete wines. Chief winemaker Tim Heath, crafts harmonious balance, drawing on each of the sites unique characters.

Vineyard

The grapes are picked from select vineyards within several sub-regions of the Barossa - picked earlier to capture freshness. We draw on the best fruit to ensure concentration and richness and to allow true expression of the Barossa region and variety.

Winemaking

Cabernet parcels were specially selected from premium vineyards across the Barossa region. Individual parcels were harvested at optimal ripeness, then fermented separately on skins in small format stainless steel fermenters for 7 days before pressing. Selected components were matured in new and seasoned French oak hogsheads for up to 15 months, when individual components were chosen to form the final blend

Colour

Deep red in colour, with purple hues.

Nose

Aromatics of lifted blackcurrant and blackberry with spice and Choc-mint notes

Palate

The palate is full and generous, with dark berry/cassis flavours and structural cabernet tannins.

Cellaring

Drinks well now, or will reward cellaring for the mid-term (36 - 48 months).

Vintage 2023

Barossa's 2023 vintage was significantly delayed, starting 3-4 weeks later than the 'new normal' of recent decades, with harvest extending into May for some sites. The region experienced one of its wettest springs on record, with 131% above-average rainfall and 53 rain days. Summer was mild, with no heatwaves and below-average rainfall, delaying veraison until February. Harvest began in mid-March for early reds, with sporadic rainfall events in March and April. While yields varied across the region, the final tally was slightly above-average. The season's challenges ultimately resulted in reds with intense, rich flavors.

