



Coldstream Hills

Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 1997

Without doubt, this is the best Coldstream Hills Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon since the inaugural 1992 vintage. Since the second, 1993 vintage, fruit for the wine has been sourced solely from a single block of 1.35 hectares on Coldstream Hills' home vineyard.

Vineyard Region

Yarra Valley

Vintage Conditions

Warm, dry weather during summer and autumn was ideal for late ripening varieties and, in particular, Cabernet Sauvignon.

Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon

Maturation

Twenty-one months in a combination of new and used French oak.

Winemaker Comments: James Halliday



Colour

Good, strong, red-purple.



Nose

Perfectly balanced and integrated cassis berry fruit and French oak on both bouquet and palate; hints of mocha and chocolate secondary cabernet aromas add interest.



Palate

The palate has the hallmark elegance of Coldstream Bordeaux-based reds, with fine silky tannins woven through the length of the palate. A particular feature is the absence of any stalky, minty or herbaceous characters - a reflection of the warm, low-yielding vintage.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol: 13.5%
Acidity: 6.60g/L
pH: 3.39

Last Tasted

27 Jul 2000

Peak Drinking

2008 - 2015

Food Matches

Ideally suited to Beef,
Cheese, Lamb

