

2018 ESTATE

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

The Pyrenees region of Australia is best known for its bold savoury red wines and the "Estate" from Blue Pyrenees uses blending of the Estate vineyard's best components to consistently re-enforce this reputation. The 2017 / 2018 growing season was a return to warm & dry conditions with intermittent rains throughout winter & spring, then a hot summer and a warm dry autumn to finish, which resulted in below average size crops, but grapes of real intensity. The individual vineyard components were kept separate, initially in 15 tonne static and 3 tonne open fermenters, then also while maturing in new (40%), two year-old (30%) and four year-old (30%) French and American oak barriques for a full 24 months. Final selections, then blending, a light egg white fining and bottling all occurred in May & June 2020.

Region
Pyrenees, Western
Victoria, Australia

Grape Varieties Winemaker

Cabernet Sauvignon 55% Andrew Koerner

& Merlot 45%

Colour

Deep ruby red.

Aroma

Ripe mulberry fruit, violets, hints of mint and classy cedar oak aromas.

Flavour

Juicy ripe mulberries up front, complimented by tobacco leaves, mushroom and supporting cedary oak. The even palate structure of this blended red is framed by abundant yet integrated fine grain tannins, and delivers a traditional old world style, suitable for aging, with lingering fresh berry and choc-mint flavours.

Cellaring

Can be enjoyed now or cellared with confidence for twenty years.

Technical Details

Alcohol: 14.4%

Total Acidity: 6.75 g/L

pH: 3.52

Awards & Reviews

In early wine show results the 2018 Blue Pyrenees ESTATE was awarded a gold medal at the China Wine & Spirit Awards 2020



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