

## MELBA VINEYARD MELBA AMPHORA MELBA RESERVE

The De Bortoli 'Melba Vineyard' at Dixons Creek has a rich history of exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon dating back to the 1970's. The 'Melba' brand pays tribute to renowned operatic soprano diva, Dame Nellie Melba with three premium Cabernet Sauvignons; Melba Vineyard, Melba Amphora and Melba Reserve.



### MELBA RESERVE 2017

**Region**  
Yarra Valley

**Season**  
Long growing season, mild and dry autumn, lots of tannin development built in the last 2 weeks of ripening.

**Tasting Note**  
Dark red with purple hue. Deeply scented notes of blackberry, leaf and cedar wood. Sweet dark fruits, fine tannins, textural, long, smooth and polished.

**Winemaking**  
Fruit is destemmed followed by light crushing. Individual vineyard batches were fermented on skins for up to 30 days. At the desired balance of fruit and tannin extraction, each batch was gently pressed. The individual parcels were racked to new and used French oak after pressing. Regular rankings over an 18-month period ensured the individual wines were at their best prior to blending.

**Wine Analysis**  
Alc/Vol: 13.5%, pH: 3.55, TA: 6.3 g/L

**Cellaring**  
Five to ten years in good cellaring conditions.

**Winemaker**  
Steve Webber