



## THE BLEND



The Balnaves Coonawarra Vineyard was established in 1975 and is situated at the southern end of the Coonawarra Terra Rossa strip. The family, which has been associated with the district since 1855, remains fully committed to a high level of 'hands-on' involvement.

Vintage 2018 was warm and early with great ripening conditions for Merlot. This year's Blend is Merlot (56%), Cabernet Sauvignon (34%), Cabernet Franc (9%) and Petit Verdot (1%). Matured in 12% new oak, balance seasoned French oak for 14 months prior to bottling in September 2019.

Deep red colour, the nose shows soft round satsuma plum and blueberry fruit aromas with a smokey coffee/vanillan note from the oak. Medium bodied with bright red and black fruit and a spicy firm tannin finish.

An outstanding example of the blend from an excellent vintage.

RRP	\$19
VINTAGE	2018
VARIETY	56% Merlot, 34% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot
ALC/VOL	14.5%
TOTAL ACID	6.36 g/L
pH	3.45
CELLARING	2-8 years