# PETER DRAYTON

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Home to Peter Drayton Wines at the foot of the Brokenback range is IronBark Hill Vineyard, named after the intrinsically Australian eucalyptus trees found on the property. IronBarkHill wines celebrate the Hunter Valley with the boldness and craftmanship that is synonymous with Peter Drayton.

### Colour

Bright deep crimson red.

### Nose

Aromas of ripe red berries, blackberries and blackcurrants.

### **Palate**

The palate is full and fruit driven with savoury plum flavours. Perfect balance of integrated oak and soft silky tannins.

### Winemaking

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### **Food Pairing**

Braised lamb shanks with rosemary

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### **Quick Notes**

Vintage: 2019 Winemaker: Peter Drayton Grape Variety: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot Growing Area: Hunter Valley Alc %/Vol.: 13.5 % υ/υ Titratable Acidity: .6.53 g/l Ph: 3.4

Cellar Potential: 3-5 years Oak: Old French Oak

Maturation: 12 months in barrel