

Pertaringa

Understudy 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon

McLaren Vale

Story: No second fiddle, the Understudy is a stylistic contrast to our Rifle & Hunt Cabernet.

Vintage: 2014 was a challenging vintage, but it was very interesting to see the vines' methodical reactions to make use of whatever was thrown at them. We were lucky with the timing of the heat and rain - the grapes were still early enough in their ripening cycle to not be hugely affected by the heat and then the rain in mid-February provided a well-earned reprieve.

Nose: Dense aromas of blackberries and black cherries are complemented by herbaceous undertones.

Palate: The palate is well-balanced with cassis and greener herbaceous notes, followed by notes of cedary oak and cherry tobacco.

Pairing: Try with a marinated lamb and chargrilled vegetable pizza with goat cheese and rosemary.

Cellaring: Drink now to 2024

Winemaker: Shane Harris

Alc: 14.2% TA: 6.77g/L
pH: 3.49 RS: 2.8g/L