



POACHER'S RIDGE



TERROIR DRIVEN

MERLOT

Region: *Great Southern*
Variety: *Merlot 100%*



WINEMAKING

Fruit is harvested and crushed into small open fermenters. The cap is plunged by hand three to four times a day to get gentle extraction of fine grained and silky tannins. After fermentation the wine is run off into French oak barrels, 25% being new, for 15 months maturation. The wine is pumped into tank prior to bottling and again minimal fining (egg white) and filtration is carried out.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol:	13.5%
pH:	3.52
TA:	6.6 g/L

COLOUR

Medium red colour with great depth.

AROMA

Plum fruits dominate the aromas, and are backed by typical Merlot creaminess and subtle French oak characters.

PALATE

A mid weighted wine that is beautifully balanced with plum fruits and a tight structure. Fine tannins, cedary French oak and balanced acidity give the wine length and drive with a long elegant finish.

CELLARING

Enjoy over the next
5 to 8 years.

AWARDS/REVIEWS

94 Pts — Halliday Wine Companion 2018