



## RAMJET 2019

Barrel Aged Imperial Stout • 11.5% ABV • 330ml  
Bottle Release: July 2019

### STORY

To many, Ramjet may need no introduction, but for the uninitiated, it's a beer that has, at times, defined Boatrockers—challenging perceptions and breaking new ground. Back in 2013, we wanted to create a truly Australian barrel aged imperial stout. Sure, we could've used bourbon barrels, but we wanted an Australian spirit. We approached Starward in the hope of obtaining some of their barrels. Thankfully, they said yes, and the rest is history. Every year we release a new batch, and every year they're same same but different. A variety of barrel types (Ex Red Wine, Ex Apera, Ex Pedro Ximenez), and variance in wetness (the amount of spirit that remains in the oak) means every barrel is unique. The constant with each release, to an extent, is the base beer, whereas the main variable is the barrel and how prominent the oak and the whisky become.

### TASTING NOTES

This years Ramjet has a touch less booze than last year which gives the beer a bigger body, and more palate weight. This year it's all about balance, and will reward careful cellaring. The red wine Starward whisky casks are showing both their previous inhabitants well in Ramjet 2019, complementing the luscious chocolate, coffee and rich malt character of this vintage.

### FOOD PAIRING

An aged English stilton, or a wonderful local blue cheese.

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

At least 5 years. You'll see changes and further integration, the whisky becoming less prominent and the barrel type more pronounced—the end result being just sublime. It's worth noting that Ramjet 2017 won the trophy for Best Strong Beer at the Independent Brewers Awards 2018, nearly a year after release.

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