The Quintessential Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

2025 CELLAR RELEASE

HENTLEY FARM WINES SINGLE ESTATE EXAMPLE OF THE QUINTESSENTIAL AUSTRALIAN BLEND OF SHIRAZ AND CABERNET



ANDREW QUIN Winemaker

Variety | Blend

Shiraz (52%), Cabernet Sauvignon (48%)

Pre-Vintage

Rainfall: Average winter and spring rainfall | Low summer rainfall

Temperature: Cool spring leading to warm summer

Upshot: Low crops | Return to standard flowering and fruit set | Frost and hail events

Vintage

Rainfall: No rainfall during the vintage period Temperature: Warm conditions throughout

Upshot: Fast ripening conditions | Condensed vintage | Intense flavours and tannin | Wines of power and structure

Vineyard

Estate: Three individual estate blocks: Red clay loam topsoil at varying depth | Predominantly shattered limestone subsoils | North-

south and east-west row orientations | Varied micro-climates, elevation, and aspect

Upshot: Complexity | Consistency | Intense flavours | Vibrant colours

Winemaking

Fermentation: De-stemmed | 2-3 pump overs per day | 30% on skins for 60 days | Basket pressed Oak: French - 35% new - 65% old | Natural malolactic fermentation | 20 months maturation

Tech. Analysis: Alcohol - 14.5% | pH - 3.64 | Acid - 6.6g/L | RS - <1.0g/L

Noteworthy Dates

Harvested: 5th - 20th March 2020 | Bottled: December 2021 | Released: October 2022

Sensorial Information

Profile: Purple florals | Blueberry | Crushed mint | Slate

Texture: Fine but full tannins | Balanced oak | Savoury flavour profile

Characteristics

Animal: Dingo

Vehicle: Holden Monaro
Musical: Baritone Saxophone

