

# 2014 MERLOT MT BENSON & CLARE VALLEY

## COLOUR

Cherry red with purple hues

## BOUQUET

Fresh violet fragrance with sour cherry overtones and underlying spicy oak characters.

#### PALATE

Medium to full bodied with juicy raspberry and plum fruit followed by a lifted floral spice finish. This wine shows excellent structure . and length

## CUISINE

Enjoy with your favourite pasta, lamb casserole or roasted poultry.

#### REGIONS

The cool ripening conditions of Mount Benson provide varietal elegance while the Clare Valley warmth adds plum and berry richness. Our dual region Merlot is balanced perfectly with velvety soft oak tannins.

#### WINEMAKING

Individual vineyard components were fermented separately in small static fermenters.

Small batch fermentation at controlled temperatures has seen a magnificent colour and flavour profile in this wine. Reducing the grape skin contact ensured this wine's finish is soft and flavoursome. After fermentation, the parcels were racked with the final blend producing a fresh and approachable wine, with distinctive Merlot fruit characteristics.

## CELLARING

Under ideal conditions will develop further flavour complexity to 5 years.

Alcohol - 13.5% Alc/Vol

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