

2012 MENTOR BAROSSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The Masters wines are the top tier of Peter Lehmann's original classic Barossa varietals, made for the long haul and released with bottle age to capture their full potential. These wines are named after a person or event that has played an intrinsic role in the Peter Lehmann story.

Peter Lehmann mentored countless people over his 50-year career, and this wine is named in his honour.

Great Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon has layers of texture and flavour. By drawing fruit from a number of Barossa sub-regions – each with their own unique terroir – Mentor Cabernet captures immense varietal definition with added complexity of old vine, low-yielding fruit matured in French oak barrels. Mentor is made as the best expression of Barossa Cabernet of vintage, with addition of small portions of complementary varieties in certain years.



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Andrew Wigan, Chief Winemaker

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This limited release is our best Cabernet of vintage and the mild conditions experienced in 2012 have accentuated the varietal characteristics. The colour is deep, leading to a bouquet of violet and cassis and a touch of dark chocolate. The palate shows the substance of Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon and finishes with great length- a wine of great breeding which can be cellared with confidence for another 8-10 years.

Vintage

2012 was an outstanding vintage. The weather was mild throughout with cool nights allowing a gentle, slow ripening which has produced red wines of great poise and substance.

Vineyards

Sourced from low yielding established vines in the Barossa sub districts of Rosedale, Light Pass, Stockwell, Tanunda and Vine

Winemaking

Fermented and kept on skins for two weeks together with partial barrel fermentation during this time. Following pressing and clarification the wine was matured in French oak hogsheads for 15 months.

Enjoy

Mentor is an ideal accompaniment to richer dishes such as duck, goose and game - try it with Peking duck pancakes, grilled spicy Italian sausages or venison pie.

Analysis

Alc/vol 14.8%

T.A 6.71g/L

p/H 3.55

RS 3.1g/L

