

## Penfolds Bin 389 Cabernet Shiraz

COUNTRY	REGION	GRAPE	VINTAGE
Australia	South Australia	51% Cabernet, 49% Shiraz	2020

## **ABOUT THE DOMAINE**

Penfolds is one of Australia's best known wineries with a rich history and pioneering philosophy. After the success of early sherries and fortified wines, Dr Christopher Penfold and Mary Penfold founded Penfolds wine company in 1844 on the 500 acre Magill Estate near Adelaide, South Australia. In recent years, Peter Gago, Penfolds Chief winemaker, continues to experiment and progress forward, expanding with projects overseas in California and Champagne.

## WINEMAKING

Matured for 12 months in American oak hogsheads (33% new). South Australia experienced the second consecutive year of winter drought. Spring was cool and dry, conditions that continued well into November delaying flowering and fruit-set. With root-zone moisture levels well below average, irrigation was vital. While bunch weights and berry numbers were low across the three regions, the harvest produced some outstanding parcels of grapes. Vineyard regions include McLaren Vale, Barossa Valley, Padthaway.

## **TASTING NOTES**

Colour of deep garnet core, crimson rim. On the nose the sweet American oak is evident through the aromas of baking spices, cinnamon scrolls, and Madagascan vanilla bean. There are complex aromas of ganache frosting, raspberry coulis, black cherries and ripe black plums. From the savoury sphere, hints of seared wagyu seasoned with cracked pepper, along with sundried tomatoes and kalamata olive tapenade. A wine with much to offer even in the flush of youth. Complexing flavours on the palette of savoury nuances of freshly sliced fennel, pan wilted radicchio leaf and pickled turnips. Moroccan lamb backstraps on eggplant relish. Red liquorice and cherry provides a sweet counterpoint. Evolved tannins seamlessly drive the palate structure. This wine is ready to drink now, or can age beautifully over decades.

