

WOLF BLASS

RED LABEL CABERNET MERLOT 2018

CABERNET SAUVIGNON PROVIDES LENGTH AND A SUBTLE YET PERSISTENT STRUCTURE, WHILE MERLOT LENDS A PLUSH, PLUMMY MID-PALATE TO THIS CLASSIC RED BLEND. A GENEROUS WINE WITH BRIGHT, DARK FRUIT FLAVOURS, A JUICY PALATE AND SOFT, APPROACHABLE TANNINS.

Wolf Blass Wines, established in 1966, has grown from a humble tin shed to become one of the world's most successful and awarded wineries. Today, Wolf Blass wines are exported to more than 50 countries and are recognised internationally as icons of modern winemaking. The essence of Wolf Blass wines is exemplified through the passion of its custodians, past and present as they continue to create wines of quality, character and consistency.

Sourced from premium vineyards, Red Label wines are a testament to our blending expertise. Ready to drink on release, the smooth Red Label blends provide easy-drinking options offering fruit-driven flavours, soft, approachable palates and excellent value.

WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	South Eastern Australia
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Excellent conditions throughout the growing season began with average winter rainfall, and a drier spring. Very hot January weather was tempered with good water management, with balanced canopies providing shade and assisting optimum ripening. Warm, dry conditions continued through harvest, promoting good flavour profiles and colour development.
GRAPE VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot
MATURATION	Predominantly held in stainless steel, 13% was matured with French oak for 3 months, to provide weight & structure without overpowering the bright fruit character.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.5% Acidity: 6.7 g/L pH: 3.57
PEAK DRINKING	Made to be enjoyed in its youth, however will continue to develop for 1 to 2 years in bottle.
FOOD MATCH	Great with chargrilled steak & mushrooms, or lamb tajine with date & almond couscous.



WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR Dark purple with a crimson rim.

NOSE	<i>Lifted varietal characters of blackcurrant and plum are balanced by a hint of leafiness.</i>
DALATE	

PALATE A medium-bodied wine with a soft, juicy mid-palate and dark fruit characters of plum, cassis and blackberry. A varietal leafiness adds extra dimension. The wine finishes soft and long for a drink-now style.

Winemaker: Marie Clay