



WOLF BLASS

HOUSE OF THE DRAGON *FIRE & BLOOD* CABERNET SAUVIGNON SHIRAZ 2021

A FORMIDABLE BOLD BLEND THAT BRINGS TO LIFE THE CRIMSON MAJESTY OF A DRAGON'S FIRE. RICH IN DARK FRUIT WITH HINTS OF LEATHER AND SPICE, THE ELEGANT STRUCTURE OF CABERNET SAUVIGNON COMBINES WITH THE BROODING FRUIT DEPTH OF SHIRAZ IN A FULL-BODIED BALANCE OF INTENSITY AND CHARACTER. BEST ENJOYED WHILE WATCHING DRAGONS SOAR.

A classic Australian blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz matured with a mix of French and American oak. The Cabernet brings elegance to the blend while Shiraz adds fruit depth and a velvety richness to the palate.

A multi-district South Australian blend sourced from premium grapegrowing regions including Wrattenbully, the Barossa, Coonawarra, Langhorne Creek and McLaren Vale.



WINE SPECIFICATIONS

VINEYARD REGION	<i>South Australia</i>
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	<i>Good spring rain filled soil profiles and encouraged even budburst and the establishment of healthy canopies. Perfect November weather during flowering delivered good set and even development of bunches. Ripening conditions were cool to mild without any heat spikes allowing for slow even development of flavours with bright acid retention. A great vintage for both Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz.</i>
GRAPE VARIETY	<i>Cabernet Sauvignon 52% Shiraz 48%</i>
MATURATION	<i>Predominantly held in stainless steel for 12 months to retain freshness and vibrancy of fruit. 40% was matured with French and American oak for 4 months to enhance structure and complexity.</i>
WINE ANALYSIS	<i>Alc/Vol: 14.5% Acidity: 6.1 g/L pH: 3.68</i>
PEAK DRINKING	<i>This wine will continue to develop complexity with careful mid-term cellaring.</i>
FOOD MATCH	<i>Great with peppered beef pies, or barbecued wild boar ribs.</i>

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

COLOUR	<i>Bright crimson red.</i>
NOSE	<i>Dark fruits, blackberry and ripe plums, with a lift of varietal Cabernet on the nose and a hint of savoury spice.</i>
PALATE	<i>Shiraz contributes a rich, mid-palate fruit sweetness and plush fruit weight, enhanced by well-balanced structural oak and long, supportive Cabernet tannins.</i>

Winemaker: Alex MacKenzie