



# OAKDENE

BELLARINE PENINSULA, GEELONG

## TASTING NOTE

### 2017 OAKDENE BERNARD'S CABERNETS



#### Appearance

Deep crimson in colour

#### Bouquet

Complex bouquet of ripe mulberry and blackcurrant fruits, with some leafy notes adding freshness.

#### Palate

Medium bodied palate, dominated by juicy red and black fruit notes, and a refreshing tobacco leaf edge. Balanced by a firm but fine tannin backbone, fresh acidity, and elegant, classic, bright red fruit characters.

#### Conclusion

Drink now or cellar for 5 to 12 years.

#### Technical Analysis

##### Vineyard Location

Wallington, Bellarine Peninsula, Geelong, Victoria, Australia  
Latitude -38.233674 Longitude 144.540137

##### Climate

Maritime climate moderated by Bass Strait to the south, the Rip at Port Phillip Heads to the east, Swan Bay and Port Phillip bay to the North, and the Barwon River to the west.

##### Soils

Moderate draining loam over a clay loam subsoil

##### Trellis style

Vertical shoot positioning (VSP)

##### Blend & Clones

71% Merlot Q45-14, 8R  
16% Cabernet Franc 1334  
13% Cabernet Sauvignon CW44

##### Yield

1.8 tonnes per acre

##### Fermentation

Hand harvested fruit was destemmed, crushed then soaked for 5 days prior to fermentation using wild yeast in small open vats peaking at 28 degrees C with 7 days maceration on skins post ferment. Pressed to barrel for malolactic fermentation, and matured in French oak barriques (30% new) for 16 months, and bottled in August 2018.

**Winemaker** Robin Brockett, Marcus Holt

**Alcohol** 13.5% v/v

##### Vines Planted

2008

##### Case Production

528 cases

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