

# TASTING NOTE

# 2018 OAKDENE BERNARD'S CABERNETS



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## Appearance

Mid ruby in colour

#### Bouquet

Complex aromas of aromas of blood plum, lilac florals, red currant, rose water and cedar oak.

#### Palate

Mid-weighted 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	Vines Planted
63% Merlot Q45-14, 8R	2008
23% Cabernet Franc 1334	
14% Cabernet Sauvignon CW44	
Yield	Case Production
2.4 tonnes per acre	835 cases

#### 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 2019.

Winemaker Robin Brockett, Marcus Holt

Alcohol 13.1% v/v