

ESTATE WINES

# 2016 Silent Partner Cabernet Sauvignon

### About this wine

Only our finest Cabernet Sauvignon could be named to honor the Family Patriarch. Like its namesake, through hard work and determination to reach the pinnacle of success, these vines thrive in the rocky soil on the hillside overlooking Lambert Estate. The result is a wine that is firm and elegant with a rewarding finish, a stunning accomplishment.

#### **Wine Profile**

Vintage:	2016
Wine Type:	Bold Red Wine
Varietal:	Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Barossa Valley
Harvest Date:	April 2016
Acid:	6.5 g/l
pH:	3.56
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	June 2018
Residual Sugar:	0.8 g/l
Alcohol %:	14.5

## **Tasting Notes:**

Dark, opaque body with vibran ruby hues, the 2016 Silent Partner exudes aromas of blueberries, dark plums and cola with hints of mint, coconut and sweet toffee. The palate is dominated by an abundance of rich red fruit which slowly reveals dusty tannins, full mid palate and lingering smoky mocha finish.

#### **Winemaker Notes:**

Cabernet Sauvignon, due to its small berry size can often be rather astringent in tannin and can have characters described as leafy and green. Fermented in open tanks with gentle pump overs for 10 days, then basket pressed and transferred to the best ultra fine-grained French Oak barrels available, to graciously age for 18 months reduces the astringency and lifts the fruit while eliminating many of the green characters.

Food Pairing: Rich foods

Production: 185 dozen

