



WYNNS  
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## Riddoch Cabernet Sauvignon 1996

Wynns Coonawarra Estate John Riddoch is the definitive Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon - and is arguably richer and more concentrated than any other wine from the region. It is produced from the very best Cabernet Sauvignon grapes available to Wynns each year and even then it is not made if material does not meet Wynns' stringent quality criteria. The inaugural vintage was in 1982 and John Riddoch was released as the first 'best of vintage' wine made by Wynns. The wine is named after Scottish pioneer John Riddoch who planted Coonawarra's first vineyards in 1891 and completed the estate's three-gable winery in 1896. The 1996 Wynns John Riddoch shows rich, multi-dimensional Cabernet flavour.

### Winemaker comments by Sue Hodder

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#### Vineyard Region

Coonawarra

#### Vintage Conditions

The 1996 vintage was one of the coolest for a decade but a long, dry autumn allowed Cabernet to mature fully and delivered fruit with concentrated cassis characteristics.

#### Technical Analysis

##### Harvest Date

pH 3.33

Acidity 7.40g/L

Alcohol 13.0%

Residual Sugar g/L

Bottling Date

#### Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon

#### Maturation

26 months in new French oak.

#### Colour

An inky, almost black colour.

#### Nose

The nose has concentrated cassis with a hint of tobacco leafiness and violets.

#### Palate

A big wine with immense concentration and layers of sweet fruit bound by firm tannins and cedary oak. Concentrated blueberry and blackcurrant fruits with hints of black olive and prune.