

Penfolds MAX'S SHIRAZ CABERNET 2021

Penfolds Max's Shiraz Cabernet is a tribute to former Chief Winemaker, Max Schubert (1948-1975). A legend in Penfolds history, Max's constant pursuit of excellence paved the way for those who followed in his footsteps and allowed the status and heritage of Penfolds to grow. A more approachable Penfolds style at release ideally shelf to glass, save the cellar.

GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon
VINEYARD REGION	South Australia
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc: 14.5%, Acidity: 6.1 g/L, pH: 3.67
MATURATION	French and American oak (17% new) hogsheads.
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Winter rainfall was near the long-term average, although July was unusually dry. Spring temperatures were generally warmer than average with excellent climactic conditions for bud burst and flowering. Summer was cooler than average with no extended heat spells. Summer rainfall was 20% above the long-term average. The generally mild conditions made for an excellent harvest, with shiraz and cabernet sauvignon grapes exhibiting textbook varietal character.
COLOUR	Dense, bold crimson core with garnet edges.
NOSE	An aromatic kaleidoscope. Primary fruits lead the charge with fresh blackberries, mulberry compote and poached plums. A slightly herbaceous note of mulberry leaf and bay leaf revealing the cabernet sauvignon inclusion. Warm and generous baking spices with hints of freshly baked boysenberry muffins affirming the presence of warm climate shiraz.
PALATE	Incredibly smooth in texture with a rich and plush mouthfeel. Very alluring. Blackberry and plum fruits carry forward to the palate. Supportive oak helps frame the wine but remains integrated and balanced. Flavours of blue and blackberry compote flesh out the mid-palate, while fine tannins and fresh acidity provide balance and poise.
PEAK DRINKING	Now - 2032
LAST TASTED	November 2022



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