



# Katnook Estate

COONAWARRA

Steeped in heritage and tradition, the Katnook Estate range of premium quality, single varietal wines are crafted from selected distinguished vineyards and are an expression of the classic and unique characteristics of the Coonawarra wine region.

Katnook Estate is represented in the 'Excellent' category of the Langton's VI, Classification of Australian Wine.

## Merlot 2018



*Grape Variety:* Merlot

*Region:* Coonawarra

*Harvest:* 20-28 March 2018

*pH:* 3.50      *Acidity:* 5.4 g/L  
*RS:* <2.0 g/L      *Alc/vol:* 14.5%

*Vintage:*

2018 was an ideal vintage in Coonawarra. Good rainfall in the leadup to harvest, followed by a warmer and drier season than usual, produced outstanding Merlot fruit with rich colour and flavour.

*Oak Maturation:*

Maturation of select parcels for 18 months in a combination of new and used French and American oak barrels, adding complexity and suppleness.

*Colour:* Deep plum

*Nose:* An enticing array of rich fruit and oak aromas. Savoury plum and dark cherry with hints of sweet spice and vanillin oak.

*Palate:* A vibrantly layered palate of plum, cherry and sweet spice enhanced by elegant oak notes and smooth, fine tannins.

*Food Matching:*

Coq a vin, Pan seared five spice duck, BBQ steak with blue cheese sauce, or grilled mushroom burgers.

*Cellaring Potential:* Will age gracefully for 15 years.