



Est. 1969

2016 Agincourt Cabernet Malbec

Cabernet sauvignon 80% Malbec 20%

Region

Yarra Valley (Gruyere)

Vines

Fruit was sourced from the Agincourt block of Cabernet sauvignon planted in 1995 and Malbec planted in 1990. The Agincourt block is located at the eastern end of the vineyard and is one of the more sheltered sites. This Cabernet clone is distinctly different to the No 1 clone being more aromatic and lifted.

Wine

Agincourt Cabernet consistently exhibits classic cabernet characters of cassis and dark berry fruits, chocolate along with an aromatic leafy lift. The Malbec plays its part with inky robust plum and black cherry and ample tannins to provide beautifully balanced structure.

Winemaking

Hand harvested, crushed and destemmed into the half-tonne open fermenters.

Hand plunged twice daily with some extended time on skins to soften the Cabernet tannins. Basket pressing and malolactic fermentation in French Bordeaux all 2 year old shaped barrels for 18 months.

Cellaring

Drinking beautifully at present and made to be approachable when young but it will also continue to evolve for a further 5 years under suitable cellaring conditions.

14.5 % ALC

Accolades

96 Points, James Halliday, Wine Companion