



Est. 1969

## 2017 Agincourt Cabernet Malbec

75% Cabernet sauvignon 25% Malbec

### Accolades

96 Points – James Suckling, [jamesuckling.com](http://jamesuckling.com)  
95 Points – Huon Hooke, [therealreview.com](http://therealreview.com)  
95 Points – Tyson Stelzer, WBM – Australia's Wine Business Magazine  
95 Points – Gourmet Traveller Wine, Aug/Sept 2019  
94 Points – James Halliday, Wine Companion  
Gold Medal, Royal Melbourne Wine Awards 2019  
Silver Medal, Royal Queensland Wine Show 2019  
Bronze Medal, Yarra Valley Wine Show 2019

### Region

Yarra Valley, Victoria, Australia

### Vineyard

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 highly aromatic and lifted.

### Winemaking

Hand harvested, crushed and destemmed into the Yarra Yering 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 2-year old French Bordeaux shaped barrels for 12 months.

### Wine

Perfume is the signature of this wine with lifted bramble, redcurrant and mixed berry fruits. Bright fruit flavours include mulberries, blackberries and blueberries. Fresh cut box hedge bringing a leafy lift. Lots of tannins dancing around the palate comfortably sit with an elegant fruit drive. The Malbec component bringing an energy and bright crunch to the wine. The aromatics and accessible fruit palate make this a deliciously approachable Cabernet blend.

### 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. 13.0% Alc.