

Katnook Estate

COONAWARRA

The Caledonian is named in honour of proud and canny Scotsman, John Riddoch, founder of the Coonawarra wine region. In 1896, Riddoch made his second vintage in the Katnook woolshed, a beautiful limestone building which today houses Katnook Estate's barrel room.

This blend is an exceptional wine. It captures the unique synergy achieved by combining the traditional varieties of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz with smaller portions of lesser known varieties Tannat and Petit Verdot. A philosophy of blending at Katnook Estate has previously achieved the accolade of the 1987 Jimmy Watson Trophy, when the winemaker blended a Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon.



Grape Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon 55%, Shiraz 35%, Petit Verdot 5%, Tannat 5%

Region :: Coonawarra

Harvest ::

Cabernet Sauvignon: 23-27th March, Shiraz: 22nd March - 5th April

Petit Verdot: 10th April Tannat: 22nd March

pH :: 3.47 Acidity :: 6.77g/L RS :: 2.7g/L Alc/vol :: 14.0%

Oak Maturation: The wine was matured for approximately 14 months in predominantly American oak barrels, 35% of which were new.

Vintage: The 2013 vintage in Coonawarra was noted for slightly warmer conditions and well below average rainfall especially throughout the later stages of the growing season. This led to an earlier than usual vintage with red wines that show vibrant fruit with great concentration.

Cellaring Potential: We suggest cellaring for up to 20 years.

Food Matching: Beef wellington, an aged Porterhouse steak or wild mushroom and red wine risotto.

Colour :: Dark plum with deep purple hues.

Nose :: Vibrant dark berry fruits, mulberry and plums with hints of sweet spice and chocolaty oak notes.

Palate: Richly layered dark berry fruit and oak. Dark forest berries, mulberry and spiced plum, enhanced with vanillin oak and fine, lingering tannins.

Wayne Stehbens, Senior Winemaker

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