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— AUSTRALIAN —  
**CABERNET**  
*Challenge*

**2018 Results**  
**by Class**

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# JUDGING RESULTS

## Halliday Aust Cab Challenge

**Class: 1**

**2017 Cabernet Sauvignon**

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<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
66	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine Orange Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Gold	97
14	Treasury Wine Estates - Wynns	Wynns Coonawarra Estate Black Label Cabernet Sauvign	2017	Gold	96
41	Xanadu	Xanadu Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Gold	96
57	Shingleback Wine	Shingleback Davey Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Gold	95
28	Xanadu	Xanadu Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Gold	95
51	Fraser Gallop Estate	Fraser Gallop Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	93
17	Killerby Wines	Ferngrove Majestic Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	93
45	Mandoon Estate	Research Station Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	92
33	Firetail	Firetail Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	90
52	Grape Expectations Vintners Pty	Miles from Nowhere Best Blocks Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	90
8	Pinnacle Drinks	Cat Amongst The Pigeons Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	90
56	Shingleback Wine	Red Knot McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	90
63	Shingleback Wine	Shingleback D Block Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	90
42	Stella Bella	2017 Stella Bella Luminosa Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	89
34	Brookland Valley Vineyards	Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
38	Churchview Estate	The Bartondale	2017	Bronze	88
72	Dominique Portet Winery	Dominique Portet Fontaine Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
53	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Broadway Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
22	Grove Estate Wines	Grove Estate The Partners Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
71	Medhurst	Medhurst Estate Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
47	Ringbolt Pty Ltd	Ringbolt Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
27	Xanadu	Xanadu DJL Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
4	Cellarmaster Wines	Rohrlach Family Reserve Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	87
6	Jacob's Creek Wines	Jacob's Creek Barossa Signature Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	87
55	Chalk Hill Wines Pty Ltd	Chalk Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86
26	Houghton Wine Company	Gladstones Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86
20	Nova Edition Pty Ltd T/A Sangui	Sanguine Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86
24	Parson's Paddock	Parson's Paddock	2017	Bronze	86
15	Penley Estate	Penley Estate Phoenix Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86
61	Soursob Pty Ltd	Battle Of Bosworth Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86

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11	Taylor's Wines	Taylor's Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	86
16	Best's Wines Pty Ltd	Best's Great Western Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	85
62	Chapel Hill Winery	The Parson Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	85
18	Killerby Wines	Ferngrove Black Label Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	85
5	Purple Hands Wines	Planta Circa Ancestor Vine Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	85
30	Capel Vale Winery	Capel Vale Regional Series Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
50	Capel Vale Winery	Cellar Exclusive Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
7	Chateau Tanunda	Grand Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
44	Cumulus Wines	Moss Brothers Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
68	Dandelion Vineyards	Pride of the Fleurieu Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
31	Eagle Bay Brewing Co	Eagle Bay Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
29	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Breathing Space Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
70	Faraway Hill	Faraway Hill Wrattenbully Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
19	Frankland Estate	Frankland Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
46	Happs Estate	Happs Two by Two Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
58	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	Protector Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
60	Haselgrove Wines Pty Ltd	First Cut Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		WD/NR
9	Heirloom Vineyards	Sisters Run Bethlehem Block Cabernet	2017		WD/NR
12	Heirloom Vineyards	Sisters Run Old Testament Coonawarra Cabernet	2017		
64	Huntington Estate	Block 3 Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		WD/NR
2	Kalleske Wines	Kalleske Merchant Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
49	Killerby Wines	Killerby Foundations Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
3	Langmeil Winery	Offspring Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
65	Lazy Oak Vineyard	Lazy Oak Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
37	Lenton Brae Wines	Lenton Brae Lady Douglas Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
39	McHenry Hohnen Vintners	Hazel's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
21	Moppity Vineyards	Moppity Vineyards Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2017	2017		
23	Moppity Vineyards	Moppity Vineyards Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2017	2017		
73	Morgan Vineyards	Morgan Vineyards	2017		WD/NR
32	Oakover Wines	Oakover Heritage Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
13	Penley Estate	Penley Estate Tolmer Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
59	Rockbare	Rockbare Tideway Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
54	Serafino Wines	Serafino Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
43	Sittella Wines	Sittella Berns Reserve	2017		

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
36	Snake and Herring	Snake and Herring Dirty Boots Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		WD/NR
67	Tamburlaine Organic Wines	Tamburlaine On The Grapevine Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
10	Taylors Wines	Reserve Parcel Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
1	Tenafeate Creek Wines	Tenafeate Creek One Tree Hill	2017		
25	Wills Domain	Wills Domain Cuvee d' Elevage Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
69	Zonte's Footstep	Blackberry Patch	2017		

Wines 1 - 24 Panel A: Light to medium bodied savoury styles in best wines. Strong good fruit density and balance. Some VA and heavy handed oak to be seen, but not exactly varietal...good drinking nevertheless.

Wines 25 - 48 Panel B: Super fresh and tasty wines. Weakest wines were clumsy oak and lacked tannin foresight. Best wines were concentrated and aromatic.

Wines 49 - 73 Panel C: A class with many different styles, top wine showed concentration and balance.

Judges: Wines 1 - 24 Panel A: Dave Brookes, Sandrine Gimon, Eddie McDougall. Assoc. Andrew Dawson, Melinda Halden

Wines 25 - 48 Panel B: Melanie Chester, Ben Portet, Alex Hudak. Assoc. Breac Wheatley, Trent Kelly

Wines 49 - 73 Panel C: Adam Wadewitz, Simon Steele, Robert Mann. Assoc. Paul Dixon, Sarah Marrocco

## Class: 2

### 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
135	Agnew Wines Pty Ltd	Cockfighter's Ghost Single Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	96
92	Grace Farm Wines	Grace Farm Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	96
41	Redman Wines	Redman Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	96
107	Xanadu	Xanadu Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	96
3	Bird in Hand	Bird in Hand Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
141	Chalk Hill Wines Pty Ltd	Alpha Crucis Titan Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
99	Deep Woods Estate	Deep Woods Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
125	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Redbrook Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
122	Fermoy Estate	Fermoy Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
97	Firetail	Firetail Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
22	Nugan Estate Pty Ltd	Nugan Estate Alcira Vineyard	2016	Gold	95
147	Shingleback Wine	Shingleback D Block Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
55	Bremerton Vintners	Coulthard Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	94
10	Cellarmaster Wines	Krondorf Growers Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	93
56	Kimbolton Vineyards	Kimbolton Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	93
151	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Richard Hamilton 'Hut Block' Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	93
64	Mandoon Estate	Research Station Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	93

## Class: 2

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
165	Dominique Portet Winery	Dominique Portet Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	92
168	Rob Dolan Wines	Rob Dolan White Label Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	92
114	Dawson Wines Pty Ltd	Dawson Wines Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
74	Deep Woods Estate	Deep Woods Estate 'Hillside' Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
127	Domaine Naturaliste	Domaine Naturaliste Rebus Wilyabrup Cabernet	2016	Silver	90
110	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Broadway Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
121	Harvey River Estate	Fishbone Joseph River Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
19	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
124	Xanadu	Xanadu DJL Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	90
23	Balnaves of Coonawarra	The Tally	2016	Bronze	89
69	Stella Bella	Stella Bella Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	89
82	Stella Bella	Stella Bella Luminosa Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	89
137	Wines by Geoff Hardy	Pertaringa Rifle & Hunt Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	89
156	Cellarmaster Wines	Black Wattle Vineyards Mt Benson Icon Cabernet Sauvign	2016	Bronze	88
2	Chain of Ponds	Amadeus	2016	Bronze	88
150	Dowie Doole	Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
108	Fermoy Estate	Fermoy Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
68	Flametree Wines	Flametree SRS Wilyabrup Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
104	Flametree Wines	Flametree Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
132	Hedonist Wines	The Hedonist Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
120	Houghton Wine Company	Gladstone Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
26	Jacob's Creek Wines	Jacob's Creek Expedition Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvigno	2016	Bronze	88
167	Rob Dolan Wines	Rob Dolan Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
153	Shingleback Wine	Shingleback Davey Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
71	Sittella Wines	Sittella Berns Reserve	2016	Bronze	88
45	Smallwater Estate	Smallwater Estate Rob's Block Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
14	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Vetus Purum Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
21	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Icon Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
129	Thompson Estate	Thompson Estate 'The Specialist' Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
100	Treasury Wine Estates - Devil's	Devil's Lair Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
117	Voyager Estate	Voyager Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
128	Windance Estate	Windance Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	88
138	Wirra Wirra Vineyards	The Angelus	2016	Bronze	88
50	Cellarmaster Wines	Wordsmith Single Vineyard Heathcote Cabernet Sauvigno	2016	Bronze	87

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<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
18	Mary Street Vintners	St Amand Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
52	McWilliam's Wines Group Ltd	McW 660 Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
149	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Estate Series Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
13	Taylors Wines	St Andrews Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
154	Beresford Wines	Beresford Classic Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
4	Bird in Hand	Nest Egg Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
63	Bleasdale Vineyards	The Iron Duke	2016	Bronze	86
163	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge Big Bully Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
157	Cellarmaster Wines	Black Wattle Vineyards Mount Benson Cabernet Sauvign	2016	Bronze	86
145	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg The High Trellis	2016	Bronze	86
90	Driftwood Estate	Driftwood Estate Artifacts Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
39	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Coonawarra Cabernet	2016	Bronze	86
34	Jim Brand Wines	Brand & Sons Icon Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
80	Juniper	Juniper Small Batch Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
58	Lake Breeze	Lake Breeze Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
159	Lazy Oak Vineyard	Lazy Oak Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
51	Moppity Vineyards	Moppity Vineyards Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2016	2016	Bronze	86
83	Vasse Felix	Vasse Felix Filius Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
136	Wines by Geoff Hardy	Pertaringa Understudy Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
76	Ashbrook Estate	Ashbrook Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
130	Cape Mentelle Vineyards	Cape Mentelle Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
44	Chateau Tanunda	The Chateau Single Vineyard Eden Valley Cabernet Sauvign	2016	Bronze	85
29	DiGiorgio Family Wines	DiGiorgio Family Wines Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
66	George Wyndham	George The Fixer Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
155	Hugo Wines	Hugo Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
38	Jim Brand Wines	Brand & Sons Descendants Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
57	Karrawatta	Christo's Paddock	2016	Bronze	85
5	Langmeil Winery	Jackaman's Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
40	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Hamilton Block Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
166	Medhurst	Medhurst Estate Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
88	Paul Conti Wines	Paul Conti Wines Margaret River cabernet sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
27	Pernod Ricard Winemakers	Jacaranda Ridge Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
60	Project Wine	Angas & Bremer	2016	Bronze	85

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<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
91	Sandalford	Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
25	The Yalumba Wine Company	Yalumba The Menzies Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
33	The Yalumba Wine Company	Yalumba The Cigar Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
77	Watershed Premium Wines Ltd	Watershed Awakening Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
139	Wines by Geoff Hardy	Pertaringa Topsy Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
105	Xanadu	Xanadu Exmoor Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
42	Arms Length Wine Co	Old Money Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		WD/NR
8	Atze's Corner Wines	A Label	2016		
35	Aus Provenance	AWJS Winemaker's Selection Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		WD/NR
87	Bennett Street Distributors	Risky Business	2016		
152	Bent Creek Vineyards	Bent Creek Black Dog Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
54	Bleasdale Vineyards	Mulberry Tree	2016		
43	Bowen Estate	Bowen Estate Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
85	Brown Hill Estate	Brownhill Ivanhoe Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
106	Byron & Harold Estate	Byron & Harold The Partners Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
37	Casella Family Brands	One Seven One Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
17	Cellarmaster Wines	The Ridge Terra Rossa Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
30	Cellarmaster Wines	Right Side of the Tracks Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
140	Chapel Hill Winery	Gorge Block Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
162	Cherry Tree Hill	Special Vintage Cabernet, The Wedding	2016		
115	Churchview Estate	Churchview Estate Range	2016		
93	Credaro Family Estate	Credaro 1000 Crowns Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
118	Credaro Family Estate	Credaro Kinship Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
134	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg The Coppermine Road	2016		
86	Down to Earth trading Company	Borrello CM Reserve	2016		
53	Dudley Wines	Hog Bay Cabernet	2016		
62	Fabal Wines Pty Ltd	Vineyard Road 2016 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
143	Fox Creek Wines	Fox Creek Three Blocks Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
6	Gomersal Wines	Premium	2016		
98	Hay Shed Hill Wines	Hay Shed Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
158	Herbert Vineyard	Herbert Mount Gambier Cabernet Plus	2016		
79	Heydon Estate	Heydon Estate WG Grace Cabernet	2016		
126	Howard Park Wines	Howard Park Leston Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
32	Jim Brand Wines	Brand & Sons Icon Cabernets	2016		WD/NR

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48	Killerby Wines	Ferngrove Black Label Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
7	Langmeil Winery	Kernel Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
9	Langmeil Winery	Blacksmith Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
84	Latitude 34 Wine Co	St Johns Brook, Reserve, Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
123	Latitude 34 Wine Co	St Johns Brook, Recolte, Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
16	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Leconfield Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
133	Loom Wine	Loom SV Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
103	Marq Wines	Marq DNA Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
75	Midlink Pty Ltd	Clairault Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
47	Montara Wines	Montara Grampians	2016		
161	Morambro Creek Pty Ltd	Morambro Creek	2016		
31	Mr. Riggs Wine Co.	Mr. Riggs Outpost	2016		
12	O'Leary Walker Wines	O'Leary Walker Clare Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
102	Passel Estate	Passel Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
11	Passing Clouds	Passing Clouds The Angel	2016		
15	Penley Estate	Penley Estate Steyning Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
24	Penley Estate	Penley Estate Helios Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
164	Pepper Tree Wines	Pepper Tree Wrattobully Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
160	Philip van Gent	Gent & Co Winery	2016		
20	Pinnacle Drinks	Riddoch Coonawarra Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
36	Pinnacle Drinks	Riddoch Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
148	Sabella Vineyards	Sabella Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
59	Saddler's Creek	Saddler's Creek Bluegrass Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
95	Saracen Estates	Saracen Estates Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
144	Scarpantoni Estate	Brothers Block	2016		
146	Serafino Wines	Serafino Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
101	South by South West	Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
61	Tagai	Scar Tree Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
46	Tahbilk Pty Ltd	Tahbilk 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
72	Thompson Estate	Thompson Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
81	Treasury Wine Estates - Devil's	Devil's Lair Dance with the Devil Margaret River Cabernet	2016		
28	Treasury Wine Estates - Wynns	Wynns Coonawarra Estate Black Label Cabernet Sauvign	2016		
70	Trentvale Wine Partnership	Warner Glen The Pick	2016		



## Class: 2

### 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
109	Trentvale Wine Partnership	Frog Belly	2016		
113	Vasse Felix	Vasse Felix Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
94	Vinaceous Wines	Vinaceous Raconteur Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
49	West Cape Howe Wines	West Cape Howe Book Ends Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
1	Wines by Geoff Hardy	K1 by Geoff Hardy Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		

Wines 1 - 43 Panel B: Nice consistent wines here. The weakest looking tired. One with oak out of balance. But the best were thoughtfully made and tasted like good fruit. Thanks! Pleasure to judge.

Wines 44 - 63 & 132 - 155 Panel A: Lovely to judge. Top wines showed purity of fruit, a lovely density ... detail in gold wines and balance was pleasing.

Wines 64 - 105 Panel C: Some great examples of cab. '16' looks like living up to the hype for some. Lesser wines were advanced, top wines were across styles and showed great character and balance.

Wines 106 - 131 & 156 - 168 Panel D: When cabernet soars and then it roars, who can argue.

Judges: Panel A: Dave Brookes, Kate Morgan, Simon Steele. Assoc. Andrew Dawson, Melinda Halden

Panel B: Melanie Chester, Sandrine Gimon, Eddie McDougall. Assoc. Breac Wheatley, Trent Kelly

Panel C: Adam Wadewitz, Alex Hudak, Glenn Barry. Assoc. Paul Dixon, Sarah Marrocco

Panel D: Sarah Pidgeon, Ben Portet, Robert Mann. Assoc. Ryan Aggiss, Aimee Lailey

## Class: 3

### 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
48	Xanadu	Xanadu Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Gold	96
30	Lake Breeze	Lake Breeze Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Gold	95
19	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Vetus Purum Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Silver	94
3	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Legacy Collection Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Silver	91
61	De Bortoli Wines	Melba Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Silver	90
15	Balnaves of Coonawarra	The Tally	2015	Bronze	89
24	Casella Family Brands	One Seven One Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	89
21	Koonara Wines	Wanderlust, Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	89
25	Smallwater Estate	Smallwater Estate Rob's Block Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	89
6	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	89
1	Bird in Hand	Nest Egg Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	88
44	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Redbrook Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	88
35	Harvey River Estate	Fishbone Joseph River Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	88
8	Casella Family Brands	Blockers Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	87
50	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Broadway Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	87
22	The Yalumba Wine Company	Yalumba The Cigar Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	87

**Class: 3****2015 Cabernet Sauvignon****Proudly sponsored by: SWAT Winery Equipment Specialists**

<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
11	Treasury Wine Estates - Wynns	Wynns Coonawarra Estate Black Label Cabernet Sauvign	2015	Bronze	87
12	Rymill Coonawarra	Rymill Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	86
54	Beresford Wines	Beresford Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	85
60	De Bortoli Wines	Yarra Valley Estate Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	85
41	Evoi Wines	2015 Evoi Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	85
23	Jacob's Creek Wines	Jacob's Creek Expedition Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvigno	2015	Bronze	85
20	Koonara Wines	The Head Honcho, Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	85
29	Saddler's Creek	Saddler's Creek Bluegrass Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	85
37	Amelia Park Wines	Amelia Park Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
5	Aus Provenance	AWJS Symphony Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
57	Brangayne of Orange	Brangayne of Orange 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
56	Briar Ridge Vineyard	Briar Ridge Cold Soaked Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
33	Cape Mentelle Vineyards	Cape Mentelle Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
10	Casella Family Brands	1968 Vines Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
53	Chapel Hill Winery	McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
55	d'Arenberg	d'Arenberg The Coppermine Road	2015		
28	Fabal Wines Pty Ltd	Vineyard Road 2015 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
36	Fermoy Estate	Fermoy Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
18	Heirloom Vineyards	Heirloom Coonawarra Cabernet	2015		WD/NR
34	Heydon Estate	Heydon Estate WG Grace Cabernet	2015		
52	Hugo Wines	Hugo Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
2	Jacob's Creek Wines	Jacob's Creek Bungalow Lane Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
7	Jim Brand Wines	Brand & Sons Icon Cabernet Sauvignon Barrel Selection	2015		
31	Kimbolton Vineyards	Kimbolton Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
13	Koonara Wines	Ambriel's Gift, Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
32	Midlink Pty Ltd	Streicker Ironstone Block Old Vine Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
40	Midlink Pty Ltd	Clairault Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
58	Morambro Creek Pty Ltd	Morambro Creek	2015		
42	Night Harvest	John George Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
39	Oates Ends	Oates Ends Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
47	Peccavi Wines	2015 Peccavi Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
9	Pernod Ricard Winemakers	Jacaranda Ridge Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
17	Pinnacle Drinks	Riddoch Coonawarra Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
14	Redman Wines	Redman Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		

### **Class: 3**

#### **2015 Cabernet Sauvignon**

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<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
62	St Hallett Wines	Drops on Tide Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
59	Summerfield Wines Pty Ltd	Summerfield Reserve Cabernet	2015		
26	Tahbilk Pty Ltd	Tahbilk 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
4	Taylor's Wines	The Visionary Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
16	The Yalumba Wine Company	Yalumba The Menzies Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
43	Thompson Estate	Thompson Estate 'The Specialist' Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
45	Vasse Felix	Vasse Felix Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
49	Victory Point Wines	Victory Point Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
38	Voyager Estate	Voyager Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
51	Watershed Premium Wines Ltd	Watershed Awakening Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
27	Zonte's Footstep	Peacock Tail Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		

Wines 1 - 30 Panel A: A good class to judge. Top wines had great colour and excellent fruit weight with pure fruit and harmonious palate. Wines 31 - 62 Panel B: Lots of wines lacking freshness and vitality. Best wines had bright fruit, density and balance.

Judges: Panel A: Dave Brookes, Sandrine Gimon, Eddie McDougall. Assoc. Andrew Dawson, Melinda Halden  
Panel B: Melanie Chester, Ben Portet, Alex Hudak. Assoc. Breac Wheatley, Trent Kelly

### **Class: 4**

#### **2014 or Older Cabernet Sauvignon**

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<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
27	Watershed Premium Wines Ltd	Watershed Awakening Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Gold	95
22	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Redbrook Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Silver	93
10	Leconfield Wines Pty Ltd	Lecomfield 'The Sydney' Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Silver	90
1	Bird in Hand	Nest Egg Cabernet Sauvignon	2012	Bronze	89
39	Malone Wines	Malone Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Bronze	87
4	Pernod Ricard Winemakers	Jacaranda Ridge Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2010	Bronze	87
18	Evans & Tate	Evans & Tate Redbrook Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2013	Bronze	86
2	Bird in Hand	Nest Egg Cabernet Sauvignon	2013	Bronze	85
14	Bremerton Vintners	Walters Reserve Cabernet	2014	Bronze	85
26	Fraser Gallop Estate	Fraser Gallop Estate Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Bronze	85
5	Pernod Ricard Winemakers	Jacaranda Ridge Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2012	Bronze	85
7	Pernod Ricard Winemakers	Jacaranda Ridge Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2013	Bronze	85
28	Ashbrook Estate	Ashbrook Estate Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
9	Balnaves of Coonawarra	The Tally	2013		

## Class: 4

### 2014 or Older Cabernet Sauvignon

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
19	Brookland Valley Vineyards	Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
12	Commodity Traders Australia	Stratford Vineyard Cellar Reserve	2014		
40	De Bortoli Wines	Melba Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
17	Evans & Tate	The Evans & Tate Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
16	Heydon Estate	Heydon Estate WG Grace Cabernet	2013		
34	Huntington Estate	Block 3 Cabernet Sauvignon	2012		WD/NR
35	Huntington Estate	Special Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		WD/NR
11	Jack Estate	Jack Estate 2014 Mythology Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
23	Juniper	Juniper Single Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
21	Latitude 34 Wine Co	St Johns Brook, Reserve, Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
25	Peccavi Wines	2014 Peccavi Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
32	Perrini Estate	Perrini Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
30	Ringbolt Pty Ltd	Ringbolt 21 Barriques Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
15	Saracen Estates	Saracen Estates Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2012		
31	Scarpantoni Estate	Brothers Block	2013		
33	Shottesbrooke Vineyards	Shottesbrooke Reserve Series 'Punch' Cabernet Sauvign	2014		
3	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Legacy Collection Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
6	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Vetus Purum Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
36	Summerfield Wines Pty Ltd	Summerfield Reserve Cabernet	2010		
37	Summerfield Wines Pty Ltd	Summerfield Reserve Cabernet	2011		
38	Summerfield Wines Pty Ltd	Summerfield Reserve Cabernet	2012		
13	Tahbilk Pty Ltd	Tahbilk 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
29	Voyager Estate	Voyager Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
8	Wingara Wine Group	Katnook Odyssey	2013		

Wines 1 - 14 & 36 - 40 Panel B: Overall a very tired bracket showing development beyond varietals capability. Best wine just had fruit characters hanging on and cellar worthy addition.

Wines 15 - 35 Panel A: A hard class to judge but top wines show fruit purity and inherent drinkability.

Judges: Panel A: Dave Brookes, Kate Morgan, Simon Steele. Assoc. Andrew Dawson, Melinda Halden  
Panel B: Melanie Chester, Sandrine Gimon, Eddie McDougall. Assoc. Breac Wheatley, Trent Kelly

**Class: 5****Single Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (Any Vintage)****Proudly sponsored by: Tonnellerie de Mercurey**

<b>Tasting Order</b>	<b>Wine Producer</b>	<b>Full Commercial Title</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Score</b>
49	JAH Langworthy Pty Ltd	Nocturne Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Gold	97
34	Xanadu	Xanadu Stevens Road Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	96
41	Stella Bella	Suckfizzle Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Gold	95
5	Treasury Wine Estates - Wynns	Wynns Coonawarra Estate Single Vineyard 'Messenger'	2015	Gold	95
35	Deep Woods Estate	Deep Woods Estate Grand Selection 'Wilyabrup' Caberne	2016	Silver	93
15	Soursob Pty Ltd	Springs Road Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Silver	92
31	Knotting Hill Vineyard	Knotting Hill Jack Gordon Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Silver	91
14	McWilliam's Wines Group Ltd	McWilliam's Single Vineyard Blocks 19 + 20	2016	Silver	90
25	Xanadu	Xanadu Stevens Road Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Silver	90
29	Calneggia Family Vineyards	Rosabrook Wines Single Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvi	2016	Bronze	88
24	Cape Grace Wines	Cape Grace Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	88
57	Carillion Wines	Stonefields Block 22 Single Vineyard Wrattenbully Cabern	2016	Bronze	88
50	Windance Estate	Windance Estate 'Glen Valley' Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
51	Xanadu	Xanadu Stevens Road Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	88
45	Driftwood Estate	Driftwood Estate Single Site Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
21	Hay Shed Hill Wines	Hay Shed Hill Block 2 Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Bronze	87
48	Knotting Hill Vineyard	Knotting Hill Jack Gordon Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	Bronze	87
59	Pepper Tree Wines	Pepper Tree Block 21A Single Vineyard Wrattenbully Cab	2016	Bronze	87
46	Woody Nook Wines	Woody Nook - Gallagher's Choice Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	87
20	Aravina Estate	Wildwood Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	Bronze	86
37	Aravina Estate	Wildwood Ridge	2016	Bronze	86
44	Cloudburst	2016 Cloudburst Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	86
27	Knotting Hill Vineyard	Knotting Hill Jack Gordon Cabernet Sauvignon	2015	Bronze	86
56	Merite	Merite Cabernet	2016	Bronze	86
30	Cape Grace Wines	Cape Grace Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
9	Hallman Pty Ltd	Stage Door Wine Co. Eden Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	Bronze	85
55	Merite	Merite Cabernet	2015	Bronze	85
52	Carillion Wines	Carillion The Volcanics Single Vineyard Orange Cabernet	2016		
10	Commodity Traders Australia	Trifon Estate Family Reserve	2013		
11	Commodity Traders Australia	Stratford Vineyard	2013		
12	Commodity Traders Australia	Lagoon View	2013		
53	Cumulus Wines	Cumulus Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
54	Cumulus Wines	Climbing Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
1	Danniel Amadio	Amadio Cabernet Sauvignon - Single Vineyard Adelaide	2015		

## Class: 5

### Single Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (Any Vintage)

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Tasting Order	Wine Producer	Full Commercial Title	Vintage	Medal	Score
2	Daniel Amadio	Amadio Cabernet Sauvignon - Single Vineyard Adelaide	2016		
28	Fraser Gallop Estate	Fraser Gallop Estate Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
38	Fraser Gallop Estate	Fraser Gallop Estate Parterre Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
26	Grace Farm Wines	Grace Farm Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve	2015		
7	Hallman Pty Ltd	Eden Hall Block 3	2015		
16	Hamelin Bay Wines Pty Ltd	Hamelin Bay 2013 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
17	Hamelin Bay Wines Pty Ltd	Hamelin Bay 2103 Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
23	Heydon Estate	Heydon Estate WG Grace Cabernet	2014		
39	House of Cards Margaret River	Royals Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
40	Hutton Wines	Hutton Triptych Reserve Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
42	Latitude 34 Wine Co	St Johns Brook, Single Vineyard, Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
13	Nova Edition Pty Ltd T/A Sanguine	Sanguine Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017		
22	Oates Ends	Oates Ends Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		
32	Oates Ends	Oates Ends Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
6	Pepper Tree Wines	Pepper Tree Calcare Single Vineyard Coonawarra Cabernet	2016		
58	Pepper Tree Wines	Pepper Tree Elderslee Road Single Vineyard Wrattontully	2016		
4	Rymill Coonawarra	Rymill Coonawarra Sandstone Cabernet Sauvignon	2015		
47	Snake and Herring	Snake and Herring Black Betty	2017		
8	Sons of Eden	Eurus Eden Valley	2016		
3	St Hugo Wines	St Hugo Cellar Collection Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon	2012		
36	UMAMU Estate	UMAMU Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016		
18	Victory Point Wines	Victory Point Cabernet Sauvignon	2013		
19	Wills Domain	Wills Domain Cuvee d' Elevage Cabernet Sauvignon	2014		

Wines 1 - 30 Panel C: There were a lot of advanced wines and poor oak handling. The top wines showed varietal character, balance and brightness.

Wines 31 - 59 Panel D: All golds showed great style. It appears pure cab will win with the right weather.

Judges: Wines 1 - 30 Panel C: Adam Wadewitz, Simon Steele, Robert Mann. Assoc. Paul Dixon, Sarah Marrocco  
Wines 31 - 59 Panel D: Sarah Pidgeon, Kate Morgan, Glenn Barry. Assoc. Ryan Aggiss, Aimee Lailey