

songlinesestates

BYLINES

2015 McLAREN VALE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

- Alc/Vol:** 14.0%
- Colour:** Deep garnet/purple.
- Bouquet:** Intense ripe fruit sweetness, crème de cassis, black olive and blueberry compote notes with hints of dark chocolate, cedar box, dried herbs and black earth.
- Palate:** Beautifully weighted and structured, medium to full bodied Cabernet showing how much synergy can be generated between place and variety. Black currant, raspberry, olive and pure cassis fruit . it has the finest line of tannin support imaginable - line and length is almost pitch perfect.
- Winemaking:** The grapes come from vineyard blocks not far from those that go into Songlines. 2015 saw the selection of some older material as part of the blend to add some more complex character and add longevity. The winemaking uses warmer ferments in traditional open fermenters with hand "piage" 4 times each day to soften the palate and the use of older barrels to impart less oak dominance. The wine is matured for 12 months in second and some third use barrels to provide softer rounder oak character.
- Cellaring:** This style has softer tannins suggesting cellaring for the medium term and earlier drinking in mind. Balanced and fully approachable on release it will still drink well over the next 4-6 years.

