



Rochford Estate Range 'La Gauche'

Varietal: 91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

Vintage: 2017

Cellaring: 8-10 years

Alcohol: 13.5%

Tasting Notes: Classically fine, supple Yarra cabernet with a pristine, floral perfume of violets, translucently clear cassis, mulberry and plum aromas back by restrained cedary oak. It's long and elegant, with a vibrant core of fruit deftly knit with tight-grained oak and underpinned by a pliant, gentle spine with genuine structure.

Winemaking Notes: De-stemmed to open fermenter, short cold soak, natural fermentation and pressed to French barrels (10% new), 10 months in French oak, racked once before bottling, no fining.

Viticultural Notes: Our Hill Road vineyard and winery is located at Coldstream, 40kms east of Melbourne in Victoria's oldest grape growing region, the Yarra Valley. Grown on ancient, mountain derived sandy clay loams, these rocky soils combined with our forty year-old vines are at the heart of this wine. Grown on ancient, mountain derived sandy clay loams, these rocky soils combined with our forty year-old vines are at the heart of this wine. 2017 was a return to a classic Yarra Valley growing season after several warm years; however we were blessed with perfect sunshine for the majority of the harvest period.