



# ESTATE

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## MERLOT 2020

### REGION

Clare Valley (48%) / Limestone Coast (52%)

### COLOUR

At release, the wine is a dark red with an intense purple hue.

### NOSE

The wine has distinct aromas of black cherries and ripe strawberries abound with secondary spice, sweet mocha and cigar box characters evident.

### PALATE

At release, this wine is medium to full-bodied with lush red berry, plum and cherry fruit characters. The fruit flavours are balanced by undertones of creamy mocha, spice & subtle savoury characters. The palate has a soft, velvety texture with grainy tannins through the mid-palate and a long, persistence to finish.

### OAK MATURATION

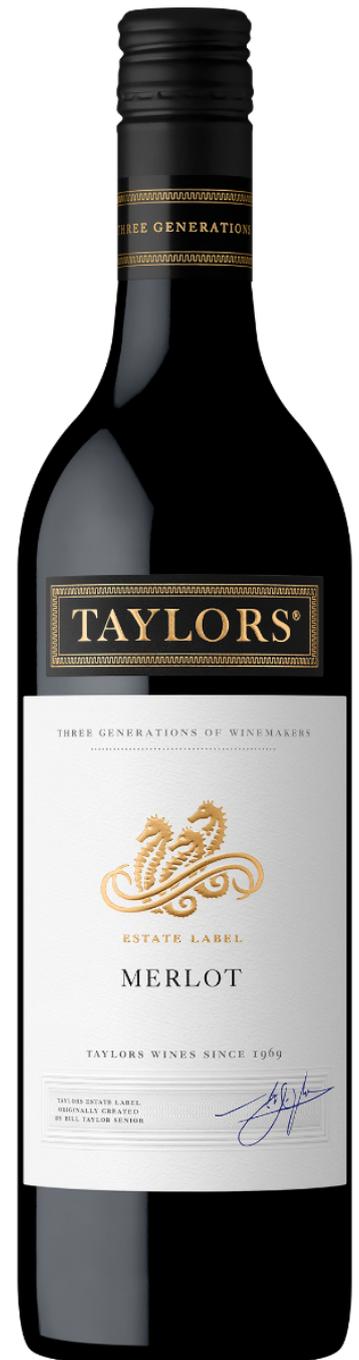
The wine was matured in a mixture of French & American oak barrels for a period of 6 months before being blended & bottled.

### CELLARING NOTES

Crafted for immediate enjoyment but will cellar over a medium term under ideal conditions.

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol	14.5%	Acid	5.91g/litre
PH	3.50	Residual Sugar	0.30g/litre





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## AWARDS & MEDALS

### MERLOT 2020

2021	Gilbert & Gaillard International Challenge	Gold
2021	Sommelier Challenge International Wine & Spirits Competition	Gold
2021	World Value Wine Challenge BTI	Gold
2022	Wine Luxe International Awards	Gold
2020	Dan Berger's International Wine Competition	Silver
2021	East vs. West International Wine Competition	Silver
2021	Wine Showcase Magazine New Release Tasting	Silver
2021	Texsom International Wine Awards	Silver
2021	International Wine Awards Spain	Silver
2021	New York World Wine & Spirits Competition	Silver
2021	Royal Adelaide Wine Show	Silver
2021	Harvest Challenge	Silver
2021	San Francisco International Wine Competition	Silver
2021	Royal Sydney Wine Show	Silver
2022	Los Angeles International Wine & Spirit Competition	Silver
2021	China Wine & Spirit Awards	Bronze
2021	Royal Queensland Wine Show	Bronze
2021	New World Wine Awards	Bronze
2021	Perth Royal Wine Show	Bronze
2021	International Wine and Spirit Competition	Bronze
2021	Millennial Wine Beer & Spirit Competition	Bronze
2022	New Zealand International Wine Show	Bronze
2022	National Wine Show of Australia	Bronze