

Tasting Note

2013 The Concongella

The Concongella is a replica of the original red styles made here in the late 1800's with the resultant wine more important than the varietal components.

To form this unique wine portions of our original 1867/1868 plantings of 'Old Vine Pinot Meunier', 'Old Vine Shiraz' and 'Old Vine Dolcetto' were co-fermented and macerated over several weeks during the 2013 vintage, before being basket pressed and matured in oak. The use of a cork with a wax seal forms a part of the style and its evolution.

In our 150th year, this wine celebrates Best's history, traditions and the age of our vines.

Technical Details

Growing Region	Great Western, Victoria
Grape Variety	Pinot Meunier, Shiraz and Dolcetto.
Alcohol	12.5%
Winemaker	Justin Purser
Colour	Brilliant dark red with a ruby hue..
Bouquet	Complex and gamey aromas with broody dark fruits, liquored cherries, liquorice, freshly tanned leather, undergrowth and roasted woody spices.
Palate	Rich and opulent flavours flow along the palate with the firm but fine grained and seamless tannins
Vintage	An early budburst and warm spring set the vineyard up well with great fruit set and lush balanced canopies. The summer was mainly hot and dry and some of the dry grown vines struggled. The short and early vintage produced pristine fruit and rich varietal flavours in the wines.

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Reviews and Awards

James Halliday 2019 Wine Companion

1868 Old Vine Pinot Meunier, Doletto and Shiraz, matured for 24 months in used French hogsheads. The opposite in style to the Nursery Block Dry Red, only part reflecting the 4 year vintage difference. Time could not reverse the style of the two wines, this one full-bodied, long, savoury and complex, and the '17 Nursery Block light-bodied now and in the future. With cork and waxed top.

Rating: 95 points **To:** 2043