

Penfolds

BIN 28

KALIMNA SHIRAZ 2001

Penfolds Bin 28 is a showcase for warm-climate Australian Shiraz – ripe, robust and generously flavoured. First made in 1962, Bin 28 is named after the famous Barossa Valley Kalimna vineyard purchased by Penfolds in 1945 and from which the wine was originally sourced. Today, Bin 28 is a multi-region, multi-vineyard blend, with the Barossa Valley always well represented.



VINEYARD REGION	McLaren Vale and Barossa Valley with smaller contributions from Robe, Coonawarra, Clare Valley, Upper Adelaide and Kalimna.
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Good winter and spring rains ensured soil moisture levels started the season off well and led to a very good early growing season. Growth was vigorous and flowering was successful despite exceptional heat in January. Shiraz thrived in such conditions, delivering excellent fruit with great intensity of flavour across the classic regions of South Australia.
GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz (Syrah)
MATURATION	12 months in used American oak.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14.00% Acidity: 6.80g/L pH: 3.57
LAST TASTED	2-Oct-03
PEAK DRINKING	Now - 2020
FOOD MATCHES	Ideally suited to Beef, Duck & Game, Lamb

Winemaker comments by Peter Gago

COLOUR

Deep dark crimson with an imposing purple core.

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An amalgam of mulberry and liquorice with fig, cold meats and white chocolate all adding to the wine's overall complexity, even in youth. A generous Shiraz fruit lift, with evocative Christmas cake spices, dried fruits and barely perceptible oak beneath.

PALATE

An expansive continuum of seductively complex flavours, alluringly wrapped around a firm, but rounded, ripe, tannic structure. Dark berry and cherry fruits with liquorice and cocoa notes are evident throughout, with a wonderfully balanced and softly rounded tannic finish – all adding up to an archetypal expression of the Bin 28 wine style. Years of cellaring potential, yet drinking very well now.