

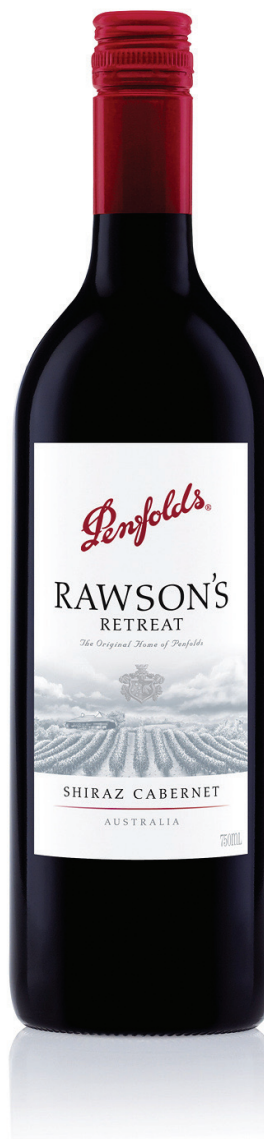


# RAWSON'S RETREAT

SHIRAZ CABERNET 2006

PENFOLDS Rawson's Retreat wines present classic single-varietals and varietal blends in an approachable, fresh-flavoured style. Drawing on PENFOLDS extensive vineyard resources, the wines offer a first-rate quality and value guarantee, presenting the drinker with an affordable taste of everyday Australian wine at its best.

Launched in 1995, Rawson's Retreat is the introductory level for PENFOLDS wines. The name Rawson's Retreat is an informal reference to the stone cottage built in 1845 by Dr Christopher Rawson Penfold at the famous Magill vineyard in Adelaide, where - with wife Mary and daughter Georgina - he had settled the year before and was to soon establish the PENFOLDS winery, which still operates today.



VINEYARD REGION	Sourced from premium vineyards throughout South East Australia
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	2006 was a relatively early vintage, with low rainfall and warm weather contributing to an early budburst and flowering. Mild to warm weather throughout summer helped the fruit to mature well and rains at harvest allowed fruit to ripen well with good varietal character.
GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon.
MATURATION	Parcels of this wine were fermented and matured with a combination of French and American oak.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 13.5% Acidity: pH:
LAST TASTED	1 October 2006
PEAK DRINKING	Now to 2008
FOOD MATCHES	Ideally suited to Beef, Duck & Game, Cheese.

## Winemaker comments by Peter Gago

### COLOUR

Bright crimson red.

### NOSE

Shiraz fruit dominates the nose with pepper and spice, dark plum and ripe red fruit aromas. Cedary oak combines with smoked meat notes and hints of liquorice.

### PALATE

The palate is dense and rich with juicy red berry fruit. Coffee mocha flavours that run through the mid palate add lushness and the wine finishes with finely textured tannins. The wine shows perfect balance between cedary oak and ripe fruit flavours.