

WILSON GUNN BELLUM

Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz • 2019

*“Autpax aut bellum” - “either peace or war”
The motto of Henry Laithwaite’s Scottish ancestors, the Gunn family
A wine to bring peace amidst a chaotic world*

The Story

Henry Laithwaite named this sumptuous red after his Scottish ancestors (on his mother’s side), the Wilson Gunn clan. They were noted both for their ferocity in times of conflict and their tranquility in times of peace, hence their motto “either peace or war”.

This is a RedHeads classic and its name dates a long way back in our range... to 2005! Then, Henry used to work in RedHeads, learning the dark arts of the winemaker. He’s moved on a bit since then!

The Wine

- The great Australian red blend! Cabernet Sauvignon (56%) and Shiraz (44%)
- Blended from some of the best the Coonawarra and Barossa Valley
- The Coonawarra fruit is a new parcel for us and boy does it bring the big guns: big tannins and colour intensity.
- For the Barossa Shiraz, we tasted individual barrels and selected a few of the best, destined for our icon Shiraz

Tasting Note

A nose of dark lingering fruits; blackberry, plum and cherry complemented by mint and cherry cassis notes. Hints of French spice add complexity and richness. A generous palate typical of this great Australian red blend with black cherry and plum met by velvety tannins. Great structure through the to a savoury finish. Drink now or through to 2030.

Interesting Fact:

Penfolds’ 1962 BIN 60A Cabernet Shiraz is regarded as the best red wine ever made in Australia. It’s blend? Coonawarra Cab Sauv and Barossa Valley Shiraz!



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Grapes: Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz
ABV: 15%

GI: Barossa Valley/
Coonawarra

Cellar Potential: 10 years



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