



# HOLLICK

COONAWARRA

## — HOLLICK TANNERY BLOCK — CABERNET SAUVIGNON MERLOT 2009

This wine is named after the leather tanning pits which were dug into the Terra Rossa soil last century on the original Hollick property in Coonawarra. It was here that the Hollick family planted Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot, two classic grape varieties which when blended, create a fabulous food wine.

The combination of old vines, a relatively cool climate and the unique soils of the vineyards, produces distinctive and impressively intense Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The 2009 season was close to ideal with the cool and dry conditions leading to a later harvest date than recent years. Vintage temperatures were slightly below average providing a long slow ripening period and resulted in Cabernet Sauvignon exhibiting good structure and varietal character while the Merlot displayed broody aromas and impressive complexity of flavours.

In the winery, the grapes were handled carefully to retain the fruit flavours developed in the vineyard. Partial barrel fermentation followed by 18 months maturation in a combination of French and American oak barrels, has given the 2009 Tannery Block an elegant structure and a long finish.

Region	Coonawarra
Varietal Composition	90% Cabernet Sauvignon & 10% Merlot
Appearance	Medium intensity ruby, with a vibrant purple hue.
Aromas	Typical Coonawarra characteristics of blackcurrant, mint and dark berry fruit with underlying aromas of violets, spice and anise
Flavours	Ripe dark berry fruit with plums, musk and hints of black olive and tobacco. The firm yet supple tannin profile combines with the elegantly and well balanced palate to produce a long and satisfying finish.
Technical Details	Alc/Vol 14.0% pH 3.43 Total Acidity 5.90g/l Bottled February 2010
Cellaring	7 - 12 years
Food Matching	Roast leg of lamb with herbed roasted potatoes and roasted field mushrooms.

