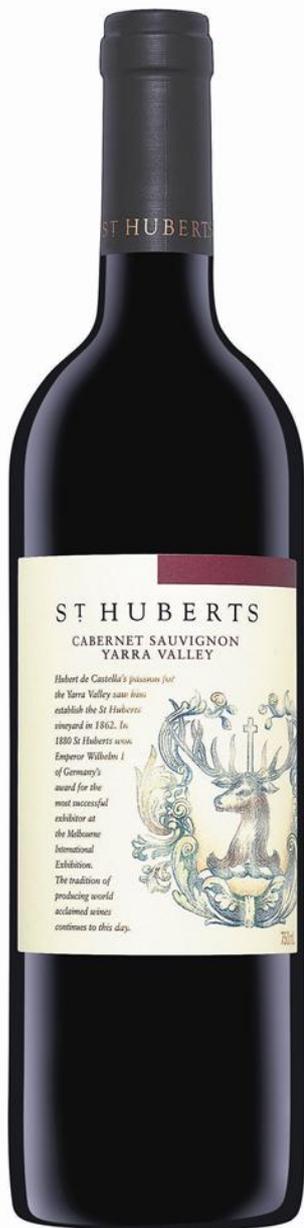


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## 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon

Hubert de Castella's passion for the Yarra Valley saw him establish St Huberts in 1862 and the winery enjoyed immediate success at local wineshows. However, Phylloxera all but destroyed the Victorian wine industry and it wasn't until the 1960s that St Huberts and the Yarra Valley came rose to prominence once again.

The St Huberts vineyard contains some of the oldest Cabernet vines in the Yarra Valley, with plantings dating back to the 1960s.

For the 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon, individual vineyard parcels were fermented in a range of fermentation vessels in order to enhance the differing flavour and tannin profiles of the fruit. These parcels were pressed off separately and racked into a high proportion of new French oak and seasoned French oak to develop further depth and complexity. The aim of the winemaking is to produce a wine true to the regional style while highlighting Cabernet's varietal character.

### Winemaker Comments Greg Jarratt

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#### Vineyard Region

Yarra Valley

#### Vintage Conditions

A combination of relatively low yields, a warm summer and adequate spring rainfall led to the earliest vintage on record, with intake over by Easter. Natural acidity held up well, with good varietal characters. The later maturing varieties including Cabernet Sauvignon benefitted from the warmer conditions, with some outstanding parcels produced.

#### Technical Analysis

pH 3.68

Acidity 6.6g/L

Alcohol 14%

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#### Grape Variety

Cabernet Sauvignon

#### Maturation

The wine was matured for 17 months in 100% French oak. The age of oak seasoning was 44% new, 28% one year old, 28% two year old.

#### Colour

Intense dark red with crimson.

#### Nose

The wine displays opulent dark plum and black current fruit aromas. The nose is complexed with regional leafy characters, and supported with balanced toasty oak.

#### Palate

The wine is medium bodied, with lovely evenness across the mouth. Plum and black berry fruit is lifted with hints of black olives and aniseed. The wine finishes wine balanced velvety tannins and good length.