

LONGVIEW

DEVIL'S ELBOW

2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ADELAIDE HILLS

Blackcurrant. Capsicum. Cocoa. Plush. Taut.
Persistent. Perfect pairing— Beef Bourguignon.

Trophy - Best Cabernet - Melbourne Royal Wine Awards

VINTAGE NOTES

A near-perfect Hills vintage for 2021 with excellent rainfall in Spring and any summer showers dispersed by subsequent mild breezes. The winds prevented any disease pressure and the mild Spring provided good conditions for flowering early. Cooler temperatures prevailed throughout and as yield was above average. From veraison through to harvest, the vineyard experienced below average, yet relatively dry temps, ensuring a very long ripening period resulting in exceptionally complex fruit flavour. Slow, even sugar development and excellent acid retention were welcome outcomes for the fruit and total harvest was completed on 28 April.

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING NOTES

Cabernet in the Hills can be sublime on the right site and at Longview, it is one of our most famed varieties. The oldest vines on our single vineyard, Cabernet Sauvignon is the hero of this unique location, sitting on a near perfect 45° slope facing northward. This allows the fruit (100% Old Reynella clone) to soak up the sun during the warmest part of the day which is uniformly followed by cool sea-breezes at night, ensuring a consistent, extended ripening period. Longview's soils of shallow, sandy loam soils below ironstone and quartz aids to control vigour and yield – perfect for this temperamental variety. All fruit was hand-picked in late March then de-stemmed, crush and open fermented on skins for 14 days. Malolactic fermentation occurs in 2nd and 3rd use puncheons where it remains for 12 months.

TASTING NOTES

The Devil's Elbow is a legendary hairpin corner on the old road to the Adelaide Hills. Longview's Cabernet also goes on a journey – a beguiling, dense plum colour; heady purple florals, black fruits and leafy roasting herbs on the nose give way to a plush, generous palate that finishes dusty and dry with grainy persistent tannin.

WINE ANALYSIS

Variety	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	14%
Residual Sugar	00 g/L
g/L pH	3.56
Total Acidity	6.2g/L
Released	July 2022

