



# CLIFTON

ESTATE

## CLIFTON FAMILY VINES CABERNET SAUVIGNON



<b>VINTAGE</b>	2014	<b>REGION</b>	Barossa
<b>HARVESTED</b>	March 2014	<b>BOTTLED</b>	June 2015
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.5 % v/v	<b>VINEYARD</b>	St Kitts, Milton Park, Kabininge

### WINEMAKERS NOTE

Bright red with a purple hue on release. Lifted blackcurrant balances the fresh herb characters on the nose. A hint of eucalyptus is evident. The palate has bright currant characters throughout. Spice and chocolate add to the complexity of the wine. The tannins are ripe and grainy and give the wine good structure.

### VINTAGE

Spring rainfall was well below average with several days reaching 30°C. The growing season had even temperatures and little rainfall. Ripening was slow and steady leading to the development of good tannin structure and fruit characters.

### WINEMAKING

Harvest was carried out at night. Once destemmed the fruit was pumped over 2 or 3 times daily depending on colour, tannin and flavour extraction. The must was pressed after 6-8 days, malolactic fermentation was carried out in tank prior to French oak maturation for 10 to 12 months depending on the parcel. Post blending minimal fining and filtration were used.