

# PETTAVEL

## 2002 EVENING STAR CABERNET SAUVIGNON MERLOT

### BACKGROUND

The ship Evening Star docked at Port Phillip Harbour in February 1856 carrying Mr David Pettavel's family and friends destined for the expanding vineyards of Geelong. Recruited in Switzerland and accompanied on the voyage by Mr Pettavel, these experienced viticulturists were pivotal in the expansion of viticulture and winemaking in the Geelong region.

The Evening Star range is focused on expressive Geelong fruit characters, round palate structure and youthful accessibility. The wines are all released ready to drink and are great accompaniments to a wide range of foods.

### WINEMAKER – PETER FLEWELLYN

Blend Components - Cabernet Sauvignon 80% Merlot 20%

The early ripening Merlot and late ripening Cabernet Sauvignon grapes from our Strathmore vineyard were fermented separately in open fermenters, spending a total of 35 days on skins before being pressed to French oak barrels. After six months maturation the first blend was made, adding the ripe soft Merlot to the Cabernet Sauvignon to soften the wine and add fruit complexity. An additional 12 months oak maturation ensured that the tannin structure softened and the oak characters fully integrated. Deep cherry red in colour the wine displays ripe blackcurrant from the Cabernet Sauvignon and juicy red berry flavours from the Merlot and integrated fine grain oak characters. Suitable for immediate consumption, or short term cellaring.

The entire Evening star range has been bottled under screw cap to eliminate cork taint and ensure a perfect seal.

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

**Alcohol:** 13.5% VOL

**Standard Drinks:** 8.0

**Total Acid:** 6.65 g/L (Tartaric)

**pH:** 3.75

**Residual Sugar:** 1.2 g/L

**Bottle Size:** 750ml

**Bottle Type:** Premium Claret – Antique Green

**Closure Type:** Screw Cap

**Carton Size:** 12 x 750ml Vertical

**Bottle Barcode:** 9331294000140

**Carton Barcode:** 9331294000157



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