

CLASSIC CLARE

CLARE VALLEY

CABERNET SAUVIGNON
2017

### Winemaker's Notes

Established in 1893, Leasingham has been an integral part of the Clare Valley for over 100 years. Today, we select only our most outstanding wines for release under the premium Classic Clare label. Consistent show success rewards the depth and integrity of these distinctly regional wines.

Record breaking winter and spring rainfalls preceded almost perfect growing season conditions for Vintage 2017. Healthy canopies and above average crops combined with an extended mild summer with minimal heat spikes to produce very high-quality fruit.

Harvest began around 2 weeks later than in recent years with fruit showing excellent colour and flavour with bright natural acidity. A year which allowed the true varietal characters of Cabernet Sauvignon to shine.

Produced only in outstanding vintages, the hand harvested fruit was small batch, open fermented, basket pressed and matured in French oak barriques before bottling and maturation.

Cellaring 7 - 12 years will further enhance this classic Clare Valley wine.

# **Tasting Notes**

## Wine Style

Dry **1** 2 3 4 5 Sweet
Light 1 2 3 4 **5** Full bodied

#### Colour

Deep red with crimson hues.

# **Bouquet**

Lifted aromas of red currants, mulberry and raspberry with black olive, liquorice and choc mint tones.

### Palate

The palate is complex and long with vibrant red and black currants, mulberry and plum fruit flavours with undertones of bay leaf, black olive and dark chocolate.

Alcohol 14.0%	Region Clare Valley	Cellaring 7 to 12 Years	<b>Climate</b> Continental
<b>Acidity</b> 6.65 g/L	<b>Grape Variety</b> Cabernet Sauvignon	Oak Maturation 100% French oak barrel maturation for 16	Average age of Vines 28 years
<b>pH</b> 3.62		months	<b>Harvesting</b> Hand

