

ESTD 1836



**HOUGHTON**

# EXPLORE

Our home, our heritage, our wine.



## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Houghton was founded in 1836 by a syndicate of British Army Officers and named after the most senior of the three – Lieutenant Colonel Richmond Houghton. Houghton has built an enviable reputation shaping the Western Australian winemaking landscape.

The Houghton Premium Tier range is carefully crafted to showcase the purity of Frankland River Cabernet Sauvignon.

## 2019 VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage in Frankland River was characterised by persistent cool and dry conditions leading into a later than average commencement to harvest. The Wilsons Pool Vineyard produced a low yielding Cabernet Sauvignon crop with intensity of flavour and fine, firm tannins.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The fruit parcels were machine harvested in the cool of the night and destemmed into stainless steel open fermenters. The fermentation was carried out with both indigenous and cultured yeasts and lasted for a period of eight to ten days.

The resulting wine was then gently pressed off skins to tank and completed malolactic fermentation on French oak. Following 16 months maturation the wine was blended and bottled showing distinctive regional dark fruits and spice characters.

## TASTING NOTES

Luminous dark red with a scarlet hue.

Lifted and intense varietal aromatics of cassis, dark chocolate, olive tapenade, tobacco leaf and thyme. The French oak maturation contributes to the cherry notes and vanillin lift with a generous fruit rich palate.

Hints of mocha and blackberry fruits are carried by a firm, fine tannin structure and balanced acidity accompanied by brilliant texture and persistence.

## WINEMAKER

Courtney Treacher

## ALCOHOL

14.2%

## VINTAGE

2019

## PH

3.55

## GROWING AREA

Frankland River

## ACIDITY

5.5 g/litre

## VARIETALS

Cabernet Sauvignon

## FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Slow Cooked Lamb  
Shoulder or Grilled  
Steak