



DOMINIQUE PORTET

Yarra Valley

## DOMINIQUE PORTET 'ANDRE' CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013

### Vine

André is named after Dominique Portet's father, a former vineyard and winery manager at Château Lafite-Rothschild in Pauillac. The wine is made only in exceptional vintages and honours the faith and learning on which our 10-generation winemaking heritage is built. 2013 marks the fourth release of the wine. It comprises 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the Yarra Valley and Pyrenees. The Pyrenees fruit is from 40-year-old vines grown on gravel/quartz soils, ideal for elegance and structure. The Yarra fruit comes from 25-year-old vines on soils with more clay and broken rock. It adds mid-palate flesh and cool fruit freshness.

### Wine

Excellent vintage conditions and carefully tended old vines in two special sites are key to this wine. This vintage was no different, where a warm, dry climate offered a generous sun-filled year. Winemaking, then, is straightforward. However, our modern sorting line helped us achieve greater focus and concentration in 2013 by entirely eliminating green stalks and grapes that were unripe or overripe. We picked the fruit by hand, destemmed and gently crushed it. The wine spent four weeks on skins to develop softness and complexity. It was then aged for 18 months in tight-grained French oak (50% new).

### Glass

The 2013 Dominique Portet André is a deep, powerful and concentrated expression of contemporary Victorian Cabernet Sauvignon. This vintage is more opulent and mouth filling than the previous year, providing intense depth and a darker fruit spectrum. Multiple layers of raspberry, blackcurrant and blueberry flavours are balanced with cigar-box complexity, robust tannins and rounded mouthfeel. A wine built for the long term with ample tannin and acidity, but still very youthful, soft, and plush. Its layered elegance, grace and ageing potential make us proud to present this tribute as a memorable wine to share, either now or many years into the future.

**Released:** March 2018

**Alcohol:** 14%

**RRP:** \$220

**Closure:** Cork

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