

PEGASUS BAY CABERNET FRANC 2021







\$36.99

Product Code:	2378
Country:	New Zealand
Region:	North Canterbury
Sub Region:	Waipara
Style:	Red
Variety:	Cabernet Franc
Producer:	Pegasus Bay

Closure:	Screw Cap
Unit:	Each
Volume:	750ml
Alcohol:	14.0%
Grape:	100% Cabernet Franc



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TASTING NOTES

Winery notes (2021 Vintage)

"It is the colour of ripe aubergine, with a fragrant nose packed full of dark fruit, perfume and spice. Suggestions of black cherry, boysenberry and dark plum, swagger seductively alongside touches of cinnamon, roast pepper, violet, and a hint of wet river gravel. Supple, plush and full of finesse, the palate swells to reveal a brightly painted canvas, oozing with sumptuous ripe fruit and polished, velvety tannins. A fine ribbon of minerality sways through the core of the wine, adding balance and a sense of persistency. Mouth-filling yet refined, it showcases sublime fruit weight and depth, as well as freshness and precision.

Cold weather during bud burst resulted in lower crop levels, hence no further fruit thinning was carried out. The subsequent warm dry summer served up perfectly ripened small berries full of intense flavour and concentration. Favourable conditions continued into autumn, allowing the grapes to be picked at their optimum ripeness.

Made using traditional Bordeaux methods, the grapes were picked in April and then left to ferment naturally. The wine was then gently pressed off and put into French oak barriques, where it was aged for 18 months. The following summer, when the weather warmed, it underwent a natural malo-lactic (secondary) fermentation."

Rated Outstanding & 95/100 Cameron Douglas MS, December 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Excellent colour and hues, a classic bouquet of intensity and youth, dark olives and blackberries, blackcurrant and brine,



violets and baking spices. Complex and intriguing. There's no mistaking too the use of smoky French oak to tease out the nuances of fruit and frame them ready for the palate. Dry, taut, poised and new. A wine of intensity and power, core fruit flavours of dark berries and olive, dried herb and violets deliver complexity and style. A fantastic wine of power and length with best drinking from 2027 through 2037+."

Reviews for the 2020 vintage below...

5 Stars Michael Cooper (2020 Vintage)

"The impressive 2020 vintage was estate-grown and matured for 18 months in French oak barriques. Dark and full-bodied, it has deep, vibrant blackcurrant, plum and spice flavours, earthy and savoury notes adding complexity, and good tannin backbone. Best drinking mid-2024+. A youthful, generous red, it's well worth discovering."

5 Stars & 93/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, June 2023 (2020 Vintage)

"Sweetly ripe and beautifully fragrant with dark berry, rich floral, game, dried herb and toasted nut characters, it's beautifully rounded on the palate displaying succulent fruit flavours with supple texture and loads of polished tannins. Varietally expressive and wonderfully structured with a persistent engaging finish. At its best: now to 2030."

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