

Penfolds

# BIN 389

CABERNET SHIRAZ 2003

Created by the legendary Max Schubert – creator of Penfolds Grange – Bin 389 is often referred to as ‘Poor Man’s Grange’ or ‘Baby Grange’, in part because components of the wine are matured in the same barrels that held the previous vintage of Grange.

First made in 1960, this was the wine that helped to build Penfolds’ solid reputation with red wine drinkers. Combining the structure of cabernet with the richness of Shiraz, Bin 389 also exemplifies Penfolds skill in balancing fruit and oak. A classic Australian style with a clear Penfolds identity.



VINEYARD REGION	McLaren Vale, Barossa Valley, Padthaway, Langhorne Creek and Bordertown.
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	The 2003 growing season in South Australia was generally regarded as warm, starting with a dry winter and a warm, clear spring. This was followed by some episodes of heat through the summer, whilst cooler weather towards the end of the season relieved the vines in the run up to harvest.
GRAPE VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz (Syrah)
MATURATION	This wine was matured for 12 months in new (27%) and older American oak hogsheads.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14.50% Acidity: 6.70g/L pH: 3.58
LAST TASTED	29-Nov-05
PEAK DRINKING	2008 - 2015
FOOD MATCHES	Ideally suited to Beef, Duck & Game, Lamb

## Winemaker comments by Peter Gago

### COLOUR

Deep red.

### NOSE

The nose shows an enticing amalgam of both warm-climate Shiraz and cooler-climate Cabernet fruits. Spices (nutmeg) and savoury/demi-glace notes synergise with smoky, barrel ferment aromatics to offer a complex and inviting Bin 389 nose.

### PALATE

Complete, rich and mouthfilling, easily handling the prominent tannins and new oak. A sweet and concentrated mid-palate yields to reveal a lingering finish, adorned with anise, leather, spice and mocha. This is a solid Bin 389 offering from the 2003 vintage, with medium term cellaring recommended.