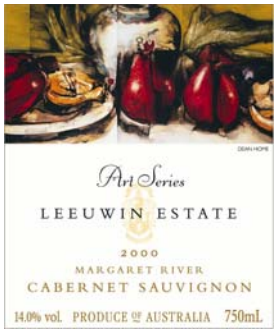
LEEUWIN ESTATE

2000 ART SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Region
Margaret River, Western Australia

Varieties
Cabernet Sauvignon (85.5%)
Malbec (11%)
Petit Verdot (3.5%)



Maturation
24 months in new and older French barriques

Technical Analysis
14% alc/vol, 5.8 g/l total acidity, 3.60 pH

Background

A Margaret River powerhouse, this cabernet is made to be long lived with ample fruit and a sturdy frame. Oft described as 'Bordeaux like', the core of its fruit comes from 25-year-old vines grown in well-drained, gravelly, granite-derived soils. Includes small amounts of merlot, malbec and petit verdot.

The Art Series represents Leeuwin's finest wines from each vintage. The winemakers have always selected the optimum fruit, transforming it into Leeuwin's highest quality wines for this label. They are identified with paintings commissioned from leading contemporary Australian artists.

Vintage Notes

In January above average rains freshened the vines and all looked promising for the vintage. Ideal conditions followed and the wines were of high quality with slightly lower yields than the two previous years.

Tasting Notes

Medium ruby in color. This wine exhibits classic Cabernet flavors of cassis and red currants intermingled with plums and chocolate. A complex wine displaying well integrated components. Sweet fruit of rich, ripe red currant is complemented by soft fine-grained tannin and creamy French oak. A wine of medium weight that will improve in the medium term. Will pair well with red beef or cheddar cheeses.

Additional Notes:

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