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**DOMINIQUE PORTET**

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# Dominique Portet 2020 Fontaine Cabernet Sauvignon

**Winemaker:** Ben Portet

**Grape(s):** 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot, and 1% Malbec

**GI:** Yarra Valley

**Site(s):** Estate vineyards across Yarra Valley

**Vintage notes:** A dry winter led to a wet spring and mild summer, with some heat but generally a cool growing season. In the end, the season brought everything together and delivered a wine with freshness and structure. Porter strives for drinkability through elegance, and the season came through to help deliver exactly that.

**Vineyard notes:** Grapes come from a range of warmer vineyards in the northern and southern end of the Yarra Valley. Soils are rocky and hungry, with a clay base and lots of broken sandstone. Primarily north-facing sites that produce cabernet sauvignon that has clear, juicy, concentrated fruit with soft tannins. Estate vineyards are farmed with soil health as top priority, with herbicides being eliminated in recent years, manual undervine cultivation, and the planting of cover crops.

**Winemaking:** All varieties are picked and sorted by hand. The grapes are destemmed and gently crushed before fermenting at relatively cool temperatures to preserve the aromatic complexity. The wine stays on skins for two weeks, during which time color and tannins are gently extracted. The wine ages 10 months in French oak barrels, 25% of which are new. Blending of varieties occurs during élevage.

**Closure:** Stelvin

**ABV:** 13%

**LEGEND tasting notes:** Articulate aromatics of red plum, black currant, subtle green pepper, cinnamon myrtle, and granite. The palate is bright and soft, with a plumpness of fruit balanced by freshness, persistent acidity, and crushed-velvet tannins. A cabernet that can stand up to a steak dinner or a cocktail hour.

**Production size:** 2000 dozen