

# SUNSPELL

## cabernet sauvignon 2022



**LEGEND**  
AUSTRALIAN WINE IMPORTS

**Grape(s):** Cabernet Sauvignon

**GI:** South Eastern Australia

**Site(s):** Select sites across Barossa Valley, Coonawarra, and Riverland

**Vintage notes:** 2022 across most of South Australian was defined by below average temperatures and sunny, bright days. A cooler harvest, but with very little rain, produced a long-ripening season with classic, balanced flavors and great freshness.

**Vineyard notes:** From a selection of sites across South Australia, including Barossa Valley, Coonawarra, and Riverland. Soil types include terra rossa (red clay over limestone), clay-loam duplexes, and wind-blown sands over limestone and clay.

**Winemaking:** All fruit was mechanically picked and destemmed (to remain fair-labor compliant at a lower price-point) throughout March and April 2021. Winemaking took place in stainless steel vats, prioritizing primary fruit and savory qualities over any oak influence. Vegan-friendly.

**Closure:** Stelvin **ABV:** 13.5%

**LEGEND tasting notes:** A lighter-style cabernet sauvignon, without any of the oak chips and coloring that normally plague affordable cabernet. The nose is a combination of bright and juicy red and black fruits – quandong (a native red peach), black plum, and red currant, as well as subtle savory notes like green pepper, fern, and river mint. The palate belies the bright ruby color, with a fullness and roundness of dark fruit. Acid is bright and tannins are supple, creating a soft finish.

**Label:** Sunspell was developed by Legend founders Jane Lopes and Jonathan Ross. During their travels down under, they saw firsthand that Australia not only produced wine that much of the world has yet to see, but that it was done with respect for both the environment and for the community—and a sense of fun and brightness. Sunspell is a celebration of all those things we think of when we think of Australia: pristine sun-drenched beaches, big surf, fun-loving people. And it's a celebration of all those things that don't come to mind enough when thinking of Australia: fair labor, sensible farming, and delicious wine.

**Production size:** 4000 dozen

**Scores:** 88 Points (Best Buy), Wine Enthusiast