## DOMAINEA

## cabernet sauvignon 2013





Winemaker: Conor Van Der Reest

Grape(s): 85.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet

Franc, 6% Merlot, 1.5%% Petit Verdot

GI: Tasmania

Site(s): Stoney Vineyard, Coal River Valley

Vintage notes: The 2013 vintage for Tasmania will be remembered for the bumper yields of high quality fruit. Warm, dry weather allowed full flavor development while retaining good natural acidity. The 2013 Vintage started strong with excellent soil moisture from winter rains. A long, warm dry summer allowed for strong canopies and larger than expected crops were able to ripen fully. Reports from winemakers indicate they are very happy with both the volume and quality of fruit from the 2013 vintage.

Vineyard notes: This is cool-climate wine country. Ancient soil and champagne air. A temperate maritime climate and long hours of sunshine, even over the long cool season. Slow-ripening fruit and aromatic varieties brought forth from the impeccably tended Stoney Vineyard—the oldest in the historic Coal River Valley in southern Tasmania. Each vintage is a constant reflection of this extraordinary, elemental terroir: climate and soil, vineyard and method, founded on 200-million-year-old Jurassic dolerite.

**Winemaking:** Domaine A Cabernet Sauvignon is crafted in small batches employing traditional techniques including open vat fermentation, regular racking and hand plunging with extended time on lees. It is matured in 100% new French oak barriques for three years and rested in the cellar for further years until ready for release. Hand-picked and native yeast fermented.

Closure: Natural cork ABV: 14.3%

LEGEND tasting notes: This wine is widely considered Tasmania's greatest cabernet sauvignon, and one of the finest examples from all Australia. A powerful and balanced style of cabernet, replete with the full gamut of ripe, summer berries, complemented by heady notes of tobacco, licorice, mountain pepper, and dried herbs. Salty, smokey, complex, and warming, this is one of the most fulfilling Australian sips out there.

Production size: 1200 dozen