

# TOPE

*Wines for Today, Tonight & Tomorrow*

'P+R'

## Cabernet Sauvignon 2023



The 'P+R' Cabernet Sauvignon stands as one of the foundational wines of TOPE. Crafted with meticulous attention, this wine embodies the rich varietal characteristics of Cabernet Sauvignon while offering a gentle, approachable palate. It reflects TOPE's dedication to producing wines with genuine identity and depth.

### Serving & Cellaring

Best enjoyed slightly below room temperature, allowing the wine to warm gradually in the glass. This approach enables the wine to fully express its evolving flavors throughout the drinking experience. While crafted for immediate enjoyment, the balanced acidity and tannin structure suggest potential for graceful aging over the next decade.

### The Story

Inspired by founders Tom and Pete's fascination with Cabernet Sauvignon, the 'P+R' represents their exploration into how this noble variety expresses itself across different terroirs and winemaking techniques. Their aim was to create a wine that is unmistakably Cabernet, yet soft and approachable, embodying TOPE's philosophy of crafting wines suitable for today, tonight, and tomorrow.

### Technical Details Technical Details

- Alcohol: 13.5%
- Residual Sugar: 0.24 g/L
- Acidity: 6.2 g/L
- Maturation: 14 months in French & Hungarian oak (6% new)

### Vineyard & Season

The cool growing season of 2023 was complimented by soaking winter rains. With the lean soils recharged, the Cabernet slowly ripened high on the range. These temperate conditions slowed the ripening on the berries, allowing an intense depth of flavour to develop. It was these same conditions that allowed for the fruit to be picked at the ideal time without any seasonal pressures.

### The Wine

The wine is deep red in colour with a bright ruby hue.

A brooding aroma of dark and black berries is layered over notes of dried oregano, licorice and savoury smoked aromas. Lingering behind this is a lifted tones oak and warm spices.

The fruit aromas are bright on the palate with black current, bramble bush and cloves. The luscious bodied wine is elegantly balanced with fine graphite tannins that enrich the wine and add a clean and fresh finish.

### Reviews

Aussie bush scents mix with leaf, mint, dried herbs, black fruits, cassis and lilac, violet florals. It's a pretty mental picture that comes to life when tasted. Beautifully composed, the palate is built around a core of taut tannins and ripe fruit, herbs, spice and vanillin oak and ever so lightly tweaked in regional mint. - [Jeni Port \(SA Wine Guide 2026\)](#)



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