



## 2001 Hilltops Cabernet Merlot

Bright purple-red; aromatic berry, leaf and mint character on the bouquet come through on the firm, slightly green, palate.

86/100 James Halliday's 2004 Australian Wine Companion

### *Tasting Notes and Technical Information*

Colour: Bright purple-red

Nose: An aromatic bouquet of red berries with leaf and mint characters

Palate: A fruity and fresh palate of red berries with a firm finish. The tannic structure reflects very well the 2001 cooler vintage

Style: Blend of 75% Cabernet Sauvignon and 25% Merlot. Matured in French barriques for 12 months

Complement: Red meat, gamey meat and cheeses

Best drinking: Now to 2007

#### Awards

- Rated 86/100 in James Halliday's 2004 Australian Wine Companion
- Silver Medal - 2002 Small Vigneron Awards Canberra
- Silver Medal - 2002 Cowra Wine Show
- Silver Medal - 2002 Small Vigneron Awards Canberra
- Silver Medal - 2002 Australian Boutique Winemakers Awards
- Bronze Medal - 2002 Murrumbateman Cool Climate Wine Show
- Bronze Medal - 2002 & 2003 Australian Boutique Winemakers Awards
- Bronze Medal - 2002 RNCAS Canberra Wine Show
- Bronze Medal - 2002 Royal Queensland Wine Show