

2009 CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Wine 100 Magazine
Tyson Seltzer
95 points

Margaret River. Such are the line, persistence, refreshing acidity, confident structure, graphite-fine tannins, lifted violet petals and deep-set blackcurrants on parade here that Vasse Felix sets a standard in benchmark, age-worthy Cabernet.

Gourmet Traveller Wine
Hyon Hooke
5 stars - 95 points

Another beautiful cabernet from Virginia Willcock and team. Fresh herb and red-fruit aromas, raspberry, blackcurrant, violet and crushed-leaf. Very cabernet; very regional. Good concentration and brightness; needs time.

The Wine Front
Campbell Mattinson
94 points

I went to a vertical of Vasse Felix Cabernet Sauvignon (among other wines) this week and so I've been going over the notes we've made on the wines over the years and adding some updated thoughts. The one wine that stands out from the past is the 2005, which seems much different to the way it presented as a young wine - unless it's just in a stage. This 2009 version though - not released until November - is one to jump on. It's a crackerjack. It's a blend of cabernet sauvignon (88%), malbec (11%) and merlot. It's the first 'standard' Vasse Felix cabernet to be entirely matured in French oak - there's usually some American. The run continues. The 2007, 2008 and now 2009 Vasse cabernets are all super. Love how medium-weight this is, and yet how well structured it is. Mulberry, blackcurrant, sweet cedary oak - and some green herb characters as a highlight. Tarragon maybe. Effortless wine for now or later. Carries its alcohol with ease. A gorgeous option for the cellar. Indeed, spunky.
