

# STORM BAY

*Wines with finesse, depth and elegance*

## Storm Bay 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot



### Label

Storm Bay in Southern Tasmania is the final challenge for the famous Sydney to Hobart boat race. Abel Tasman's first visit to this bay in 1642 was brief, as a large storm brewed, pushing his fleet out to sea before they could shelter in the River Derwent.

### Wine

From one of Tasmania's best vintages, the wine shows delicious herbal blackcurrant and cedary oak characters on a fleshy, finely balanced, cool-climate palate. The wine is young, still reasonably tight but accessible with appealing freshness, good depth, texture and intensity and a firm tannic grip promising superb ageing potential.

Variety: 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc  
Region: Coal Valley, Southern Tasmania  
Winemakers: Alain Rousseau and Nick Glaetzer

### 2007 Vintage Report

Vintage 2007 was challenging for viticulturists throughout Australia.

The early onset of winter in 2006 restricted vine carbohydrate storage prior to vine dormancy. Thus the initial spring growth of 2006 was limited, resulting in low bunch numbers. The potential harvest was further reduced by several severe overnight frosts in the last week of October. Compounded with the widespread drought, it was a test of perseverance for many vineyards.

Harvest was generally two weeks earlier than average, due to the light crop levels and warm weather during January and February.

However, the reduction in grape harvest tended to increase fruit flavours, developing into wines of great intensity.

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