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WINE REVIEW

Zema Estate Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

The classic grape of Coonawarra, and this has a classic Cabernet nose. We have bay leaves, tobacco, black fruits, cassis, coffee beans, blackcurrants, leather and that hint of mint. The wine had enjoyed a seven day ferment in rotary and static fermenters, before a year and a half maturation in French oak hogsheads.

It is mid-weight in style with an appealing softness on the palate. The intensity fades a smidge right at the very finish but there is so much flavour leading to that, it is effectively irrelevant. Fine tannins, a nice line of acidity and a wine with such a promising future, ten to fifteen years. Impressive now but it will take several steps up in time and surely rank considerably higher.

If you are looking for a fine, good value example of a classic Coonawarra Cabernet, then look no further.

RATING

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Ken Gargett, Winepilot, October 2022