

# STEFANI ESTATE



## **2004 YARRA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON/MERLOT THE GATE**

### *Tasting Notes*

This wine displays a dark red colour with blue tinges.

It exhibits the aromas of the dark berry fruits,  
blackcurrant and mulberry, and violets.

The palate is an explosion of the small berry fruits  
with some spicy oak characters.

This wine displays great length with a firm tannin backbone.

### *Winemaking Notes*

The fruit for our 2004 Yarra Valley Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot is sourced from our Long Gully vineyard at Healesville in the Yarra Valley. All the fruit was hand harvested on April 28. Vinification occurred in a mixture of open top fermenters and closed fermenters. Hand plunging and pump over manipulations were employed to aid colour and tannin extraction. After pressing, the wine was matured for 15 months in French oak barriques, of which 20% were new.

526 Cases produced

Bottled October 2005

Recommended retail price \$39