

The Signature



ROSS BRADBURY

VINTAGE 1983

This wine was named after Ross Bradbury for his close association with Yalumba for 37 years. In 1952, Ross joined our Perth sales team and after 9 years was transferred to Queensland as State Manager. West Australia wooed Ross back as State Manager in 1974, and he held this position until his retirement in 1989.

The Label :

Signature Reserve Special Vintage Selection Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz. "Since 1962 the finest red wine of Yalumba has been selected as the 'Signature Reserve'. The wines are a traditional blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz grown in the Barossa Region and aged for a minimum of 2 years at the Yalumba Cellars in French oak barriques."

90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Shiraz from the Barossa Valley. 24 months in French oak barriques.

The Vintage: Hot, bushfires, floods.

The Winemaker: Robb Cootes

The Accolades: 2 Gold, 3 Bronze

"The Lab" 6 September 1989 :

Youthful cherry red. A very fine tight nose, showing sweet berry fruit and toasty oak. The palate is similar to the nose with medium body and fine tannins. This wine is similar in style to the 1965 Bin Q and has very good cellaring potential.

The Yalumba "Barrel Cellar" Tasting 1994:

Youthful brick red, some cherry red hues. Elegant fine nose. Light aromatic cherry/red berry fruit lift with supporting vanillin oak. Light to medium bodied palate, somewhat lacking in generosity. Pleasant drinking now.

The Yalumba "Barrel Cellar" Tasting November 2003:

Spice and cherry aromas from the moderate intense nose. The light to medium-bodied palate shows better concentration with developed spicy dry red flavours leading into a coarse finish. 2½ stars