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DE BORTOLI ANNOUNCES SPECIAL VINTAGE RELEASE FOR 'MELBA DAY'

'Melba Day' on May 19th is an important day in history where the world commemorates the birthday of Dame Nellie Melba. De Bortoli are now gearing up to release the 2021 vintage of the sell out success Melba Amphora. In its debut year, the 2019 Melba Amphora had fantastic reviews and accolades including a Gold Medal at the The Drinks Business Global Cabernet Sauvignon Masters.

With the Halliday Wine Companion reviewing the 2019 vintage as "...savoury, pretty and lighter framed, with wonderful, powdery tannins. Pure, refined and elegant. Bravo", along with 96 points, the next vintage is set to be a beauty!

The 2021 vintage is the second release and Chief Winemaker Steve Webber is equally enthusiastic about it.

"We are excited to release the 2021 Melba Amphora after the acclaimed 2019. These gorgeous earthen 1000 litre pots are such a lovely medium to ferment and mature Cabernet. A lot of the feedback has been its elegance, softness and texture and that Pinot drinkers love the style." - *Steve Webber, De Bortoli Chief Winemaker Yarra Valley.*

The critically acclaimed MELBA Vineyard will also see an exclusive pre launch of the new vintage 2019 in all De Bortoli Cellar doors around the country. The current 2018 will be celebrated after receiving an outstanding review of 97 points from Halliday Wine Companion 2021, as Halliday describes "the end result is a beautifully crafted and composed wine. All the beauty of cabernet within, alongside superfine tannins. Elegance with latent power".

Steve said "the Melba Vineyard is grown on the most mature vines. It always produces rich, complex, deeply scented red wine that ages exceptionally well. The fruit is fermented in 5000L wooden vats and allowed to macerate for over a month. 2018 has depth and concentration, dark plum and blackberry, one of the terrific Cabernet vintages."

The newly renovated Melba Reserve 2017 is a top-end Yarra Valley Cabernet blend from some of the best Estate vineyard plots including newly imported planting material. It offers seductive varietal aromas, supple leady flavours, fine integrated tannins and long harmonious finish. This wine has won Double Gold at the 2020 China Wine and Spirits awards, as well as being accompanied by 96 points from Halliday Wine Companion 2021 that states "...the trio of high-end cabernets are exceptional. Lovely today but will reward more with cellaring".

Commemorate 'Melba Day' with De Bortoli, this May 19th 2022.

MELBA VINEYARD 2018

Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon

The Tasting Note: Dense, mineral scented, blackcurrants, cedar wood, tobacco.

The Region: Yarra Valley, Victoria

Vegan-friendly.

RRP: \$160.00 at selected premium liquor retailers, on-premise and De Bortoli Wines' cellar doors across Australia.

MELBA AMPHORA 2021

Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon

The Tasting Note: Savoury, and lighter framed, with powdery tannins. Pure, refined and elegant.

The Region: Yarra Valley, Victoria

Vegan-friendly.

RRP: \$80.00 at independent liquor retailers, on-premise and De Bortoli Wines' cellar doors across Australia.

MELBA RESERVE 2018

Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon

The Tasting Note: Deeply scented notes of blackberry, leaf and cedar wood

The Region: Yarra Valley, Victoria

Vegan-friendly.

RRP: \$60 at selected premium liquor retailers, on-premise and De Bortoli Wines' cellar doors across Australia.

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