



*In the days when ballast stone was an important feature of some of Australia's most iconic buildings, the daring Steeplejacks played a crucial role in their construction and maintenance. As skilled craftsmen, they completed the most difficult work on the highest towers, oblivious to vertigo, gravity and mortality.*

## VINTAGE 2018

After a variable start to bud burst and the season providing many disease challenges during the growing period and around veraison, a stretch of about four weeks of ideal ripening weather in the middle of vintage saved the season.

The weather conditions at flowering were variable but allowed good fruit set in most red varieties.

The reds were left hanging to gain full physiological maturity and were picked very late this year, with first fruit coming in from about 10th April.

ALCOHOL	14.5%
REGION	South Australia
COMPOSITION	Merlot 100%
pH	3.35
TA	6.3

## TASTING NOTES

In true Steeple Jack tradition, this Merlot is full of character. Silky blackberry, aromatic violets and cherry flavours, with a soft velvet finish to savour.

**STEEPLE JACK**  
**Merlot 2018**

