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20<sup>TH</sup> VINTAGE RELEASE

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### Awards

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Gold	2019 The Global Cabernet Sauvignon Masters (UK)
Gold	2018 International Wine & Spirit Competition (UK)
Gold	2017 Hong Kong International Wine & Spirits Competition (HK)
Silver	2019 Decanter Asia Wine Awards (HK)
Silver	2018 Japan International Wine Challenge (Japan)
Silver	2018 Decanter Asia Wine Awards
Silver	2018 Decanter Asia Wine Awards (Hong Kong)
Silver	2017 International Wine & Spirits Competition (UK)
Bronze	2019 International Wine Competition 2019 Tranche 1 (UK)
Commended	2017 Decanter Asia Wine Awards (Hong Kong)

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### Reviews

#### Tyson Stelzer, WBM National 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019

2013 encapsulates the Odyssey mandate of opulence, built around a compact core of cassis and blackcurrant fruit that has been softened and polished over a considerable three years in oak barrels. The result is a deeply brooding style of great integration and persistence, layered in dark chocolate and coffee bean complexity.

#### Winestate National 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019

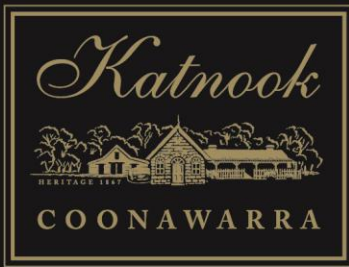
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#### Stuart Robinson, The Vinsomniac ([www.thevinsomniac.com](http://www.thevinsomniac.com)) December 2018

The 2013 Odyssey was the last that legendary winemaker Wayne Stehbens ("Stebbo") oversaw from start to finish, before his untimely passing in 2017. Reserved, more toast and char than what one might expect from Coonawarra Cabernet. The body is supple, at odds to what seems a stern and reserved intro, generous - almost creamy - body. Blackcurrant is a dominant character, with firm and quite compact tannin. It's certainly something for the long haul, feeling tightly coiled and needing to unfurl. Its length is not denied, just at this present juncture yields to no one.

#### Winsor Dobbin, Gourmet on the Road ([www.gourmetontheroad.blogspot.com](http://www.gourmetontheroad.blogspot.com)) December 2018

There are couple of reasons that make the new-release Katnook Estate 2013 Odyssey special.



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The first is that this is the 20th vintage release of the Coonawarra flagship, the second that it was the last Odyssey made to completion by founding winemaker Wayne Stehbens, who sadly died last year. The multiple-award-winning cabernet sauvignon is made only in outstanding vintages from specific rows of terra rossa soil. The 1991 Odyssey was the inaugural vintage, released in 1996 to commemorate the centenary of the first vintage made at Katnook's woolshed in 1896. The name Odyssey reflected the ongoing journey of Katnook with its roots in the past and sights on the future. The 2013, from a warm vintage, is a wine that offers intense fruit married to powerful French and American oak. It is all about richness and concentration and, ideally, it needs several years in the cellar. The \$110 price tag underlines that this wine is something special; one of just 53 wines listed in the 'Outstanding' category of the Langton's Classification of Australian Wine.

**Gary Walsh, Winefront, October 2018**

**93 Points**

Rich black fruit, lavish mocha and coconut oak, a whiff of peppermint. Full-bodied, deep and packed with flavour, grainy tannin, glimmers of red fruit, dark chocolate, sage and toasty oak. Finds balance despite its scale and heft. Finish is savoury, toasty and long.

**Stuart Robinson, The Vinosomniac ([www.thevinsomniac.com](http://www.thevinsomniac.com)), August 2018**

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**Jane Thomson, The Fabulous Ladies Wine Society ([fabulousladieswinesociety.com](http://fabulousladieswinesociety.com)), August 2018**

**96 points**

Fermented in a mix of open and closed fermenters, 5-10 days on skins, matured for 36 months in French (56 percent new) and used American oak. Obviously, oak leaves a footprint on the wine, but there is a wealth of blackcurrant/cassis, bay leaf and spice to provide balance to a warm hearted, generous wine that can be enjoyed now or in 20+ years. An enduring part of the Coonawarra landscape since its first vintage in '91. Drink by 2037. 96 points.

**James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2018 (Australia), August 2017**

**96 points**

The 2013 vintage (RRP \$110) is classic Odyssey – intense regional and varietal fruit flavours are seamlessly combined with sweet barrel maturation characters. This is a powerful, complex wine with layers of intense dark berry and plum, cedar and mocha oak tones and fine grained, assertive tannins. Perfect for you, or for any dad in your life who would love a very special bottle for his cellar this year.