

2017 heysen Shiraz

Winemaker: Rolf Binder



A super premium Shiraz that calls for a place in any good cellar. American wine critic, Robert Parker Junior, describes Rolf Binder as "one of my favourite wineries (whose) offerings are never excessively oaked, possess extraordinary ripe, concentrated fruit, great individuality".

The vineyards:

The famous Heysen Walking Trail forms the western border of the Rolf Binder Estate. Fruit for this wine is grown in the adjacent, low yielding Heysen vineyard where it develops intensely concentrated flavours.

The vintage:

The Barossa experienced a long-wet winter with above average rainfall. Shoot growth was very slow due to cold wet soils but a mild spring and ample soil moisture allowed the vines to develop strong canopies. Temperatures through Jan. and Feb. were ideal with two well-timed bursts of rain to help maintain vine health. March was warm and dry providing ideal ripening conditions to the end. Due to the winter rain and cooler than average nights, 2017 vintage was four weeks later than the previous five. The cool nights and mild days provided ideal conditions for Eden Valley Shiraz making it a standout of the 2017 vintage.

The Profile:

Ripe Juicy berry and spice flavours with well-rounded tannins. A luscious full bodid, well balanced red with a real sense of elegance.

Analysis:

Alc. Vol 14.43%, Acidity 6.47g/lt, pH 3.38

Cellaring:

Excellent potential for ageing, enjoy this wine until at least 2035.