

2017 GLAETZER BISHOP



Glaetzer Bishop is a true expression of Barossa Shiraz that is elegantly structured with a long finish.

Variety:
100% Shiraz

Vineyards:
Exceptional old vine fruit was sourced from the famed Ebenezer sub district at the northern tip of the Barossa Valley. Vine age 35—120 years old. Yield 3 tonnes per hectare.

Vintage Conditions:
A wet winter and spring coupled with cooler than average spring temperatures resulted in slower yet balanced canopy development and healthy flowering and fruit set. A mild summer with regular rainfall events followed allowing the fruit to be in no rush to mature, perfect for consistent ripening. Harvest commenced a few weeks later than recent years. The 2017 wines are of excellent quality exhibiting purity and lift with firm tannins and exceptional length.

Vinification:
Fermented in 1 and 2 tonne open fermenters. Extended maceration was employed to enable good tannin development so the wine is soft and approachable early. Matured for 16 months in a mix of 40% new oak and 60% 2—3 year old oak hogshead barrels (90% French / 10% American).

Tasting Notes

Colour: Dark red with garnet edges.

Aroma: Black cherries, dried spice and blackcurrant.

Palate: Plush yet focussed, ripe tannins provide structure to the flavours of blackberry and plum.

Peak Drinking: Great drinking now but this wine will also benefit from 10—12 years of careful cellaring.

Wine Analysis

Alcohol 14.5%
Total Acidity 6.68 g/l
pH 3.46
Residual Sugar 0.4 g/l