

2015 The Austrian Attack
Gruener Veltliner



With the ever-increasing globalisation of the wine industry, we, like you, could be forgiven for thinking we were all just pawns in the big wine company game. The release of the Pawn is a manifestation of our resolve to amend this situation by releasing wines hand crafted from small parcels of premium fruit from our Adelaide Hills Vineyards. This wine has a delicate bouquet of blossom & citrus with hints of ripe yellow apple & white pepper. Flavours of peach, white nectarine & spice compliment a slightly textural wine with tightly woven acidity & a dry, refreshing mineral finish.

Variety trivia - Austria's most significant white grape it is widely planted in the regions of Niederösterreich & Burgenland

Chess Trivia - The Austrian Attack is a famous chess opening that establishes a wide pawn centre early in the game. Played by Bobby Fischer in the Championship match of 1972, the attack places pawns on d4 e4 f4 & is seen as a direct charge against the opponents King.

Pronunciation Trivia - GROO-ner-VELT-li-ner or 'The Gruner' or 'GV' Goes best with – It can be said, that of all the great white varieties, none does food better than Gruener Veltliner. With its 'pop rock' acidity and peppery edge, it is a must with anything Asian, and can definitely handle some food with spice and chilli.

Cellaring Trivia - This wine is enjoyable now, but with its spicy texture and palate weight, it has the structure to flower into a classic over the next 4 to 6 years.

Wine Press Trivia—*Review from Winsor Dobbin*

The Pawn is the wine label of Tom Keelan & David Blows and as you might have guessed, the focus is mainly on alternative varieties and this Adelaide Hills take on the aromatic Austrian grape Gruener Veltliner sings with all the silvery tone of a diva soprano. It offers both refreshment and textural interest with orange blossom fragrance, apple and pear notes and hints of white spice. There is brisk minerality and some assertive acid. Fun and interesting

Harvest Date – Hand picked—March 8th 2015 11am

Vineyard Location – Macclesfield, Adelaide Hills, South Australia,
-35.186149, 138.815208

Vignerons - David Blows

Harvest Weight – 8.7 tonnes/hectare

Clonal Material – A blend of 3 clones HHW1, HHW2, IBBEY

Winemaker - Tom Keelan

Alcohol – 11.55 %



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