

Jeu de Fin

2016 Clonal Selection Shiraz

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.

The wine is intensely aromatic with a bouquet of wild red berries and black pepper along with cinnamon and plums. The palate is rich, displaying fruits such as blackberry and cherry complementing the spicy backbone of liquorice and chocolate. A hint of savouriness gives the wine an extra layer of complexity with good tight acidity and smooth velvety tannins.

Chess Trivia: Jeu de fin - or end game, may occur gradually or with the quick exchange of a few pairs of pieces. In end game strategies the Pawns become more important; with the game often revolving around attempting to promote a Pawn by advancing it to the eighth rank.

Goes best with – A warm fire and hearty bowl of beef stew, a fine-charcoaled grilled Scotch Fillet steak with baked spuds and gravy, or a 250gram block of salted dark chocolate and a good book.

Cellaring Trivia - This wine is enjoyable now, but with its rich texture and palate weight, it has the structure to develop beautifully over the next 5 to 10 years.

Clonal Trivia - A field blend of several different clones of Shiraz, these each impart their nuances into the final wine style. The ability to do some winemaking in the vineyard is often a risky move, but with Shiraz clones the results can be spectacular.

Harvest Date – April 10th 2016, 1.52 pm

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

Vignerons - David Blows

Harvest Weight – 6.25 tonnes/hectare

Clonal Material – 1654, S30, S12 & BVRC 12

Winemaker - Tom Keelan

Alcohol – 14.5 %

pH – 3.6

T.A. – 6.33



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