



Production:

Crafted from our 3 'Home Blocks - House on the Hill, Horse Paddock and Bultawilta all picked 11th of April 2017. Total production 3400 bottles

Colour:

Rich and deep red with a brooding dark core

Nose:

Great Barossa Cabernet varietals - Piercing red berry and black currant over dark chocolate, liquorice savory leather and cedar notes. Plenty of fragrant dark fruits.

Palate:

Vibrant cassis and savory strap liquorice. Rich mid palate with gentle warmth and fine elegant tannins. Great length with a slathering of rich lingering chocolate flavours coating the mouth

It's the 3rd of February 2023 and the 2017 Georgie's Walk Cabernet 'opens' as the first 'Kids' release for the year. It's been a bit of a weird summer and as I type

Verasion (Colour change on the grapes) is only just starting to happen. I can't remember the last time it has been so late to be honest. On the upside, it's a cruisy start to the year at least! Georgie and Fiancé Turner have locked in a November wedding for this year, which is pretty bloody awesome in my book. They are a great team and really make each other happy. That, is the cornerstone of any future together - in my book. Georgie did her first vintage at david Franz last year and has signed on for her second this year as well. She's an awesome worker; just gets into the groove, digs deep and keeps on going. She's also got the wine bug - BAD! I don't know if she'll eventually end up in wine full time or not... but if I was a gambling man I'd probably put a snowman on the nose that she would. I think that after working her very first vintage at Yalumba, in 2021, the david Franz version was a lot more to her liking, especially as she has now made a few wines of her own... which is part of the under paid family worker compensation package we at david Franz offer. Her two wines last vintage were a White Fronti / Semillon blend and a Cabernet Sauvignon (of course) with Arneis skins added. Both look great and make me proud. I look forward to this years plans, which include a sparkling white (for the wedding wine) and another Cabernet Sauvignon to keep the story going. An exiting year ahead for my favourite daughter indeed!

Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon - it's just plain delicious and, even if the purists don't take it seriously, those that know will always put their hand out for a glass or three! In a good Cabernet year, I'd stack the Barossa iteration against the best the rest of the world offers up with a firm hand and clear eye. 2017 was that perfect storm for Cabernet as far as I am concerned. The cooler and more moderate conditions allowed for serious depth of flavour and tannin development, and for those with the balls to hold and pick late, the reward was magnificence incarnate in the glass. In 2017, our 'Horse Paddock' Cabernet Block drives the Georgie's Walk Cabernet, with a modest sprinkle of 'House on the Hill & Bultawilta' blocks for complexity and interest. The fruit started its journey to your glass on the 11th of April 2017 (we actually picked all three of our Cabernet Blocks on the same day) chock full of freshness, plenty of natural acidity and rocked wonderfully silky tannins. The 2017 Georgie's Walk was handmade in 21 small open ferments ranging in size from 580Kg to 650Kg. Each batch was hand plunged three times a day during ferment before being basket pressed after 45 or so days on skins. The wine was then filled with full lees to a mix of new and seasoned oak for 32 months maturation. After final blending, 3400 bottles of the 2017 Georgie's Walk Cabernet Sauvignon was bottled in early March 2020 and released in February 2023 just shy of its 6th Birthday. Team david Franz have, as always, finished the bottle with the hand printed love we would never let it leave home without. Enjoy and Cheers!

Georgie's Walk 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon