



HEIRLOOM VINEYARDS

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2021 ADELAIDE HILLS SYRAH

Heirloom Vineyards was conceived in vintage 2000, when a young winemaking student caught the eye of a silly old wine judge. A love story ensued inspired by two vows: To preserve the best of tradition, the old world of wine and our unique old vineyards and to champion the best clones of each variety planted in the most appropriate sites embracing the principals of organic and biodynamic farming. Seven long vintages of trial and error passed before Heirloom Vineyards could make a wine that was fine enough to pass on to future generations. That is this wine.

This Heirloom Vineyards Adelaide Hills Syrah was produced from our best Adelaide Hills Vineyard in Charleston whose clones and viticulture embody the very best in cutting edge but old school viticulture and winemaking. Hand tended vines, sorted bunch by bunch, naturally open fermented, 30% whole bunch grapes, basket-pressed and stored in well seasoned and 20% first use French oak barrels from bespoke coopers for 12 months.

OUR WINE NOTES

Syrah can be a simple sip or a symphony of the senses, a moment of pleasure or an eternity of contemplation. Only the poet can know, so stop thinking and surrender.

COLOUR

Purple-velvet. Deep and dark; bright, and complete with a beautiful rim-edge mirroring the parallax of the universe.

AROMA

Fresh plums ever so ripe but plucked from the tree at dawn when you are still remembering the evening before. Mulberry from a tree nearby, blackberry from the dusty laneway; bay leaf, lavender, roses wild and nutmeg. Deep brooding aromatics that reveal little but yet say all.

PALATE

Fresh and bright and pert and driven by a clean determined line of natural acidity. Yet then the undercurrent of dark, deep and multi-layered fruits and berries: plum, blackberry, loganberry, fresh dates. A rolling and round and rich back palate demonstrates further this red wine's hidden certainty and understated power. Tannins and acid tension compete at the very end, as if gentlemen-children playing at the gladiatorial.

OVERALL

This syrah builds and builds in the open bottle and poured glass, suggesting years ahead of it in your password-protected cellar. This is not only syrah for grown-ups but also syrah for versatility - people and foodstuffs, seasons and moods. Some truffle mash potato? Goat grilled over vine cuttings? A cheese board or pate? Or all of this? Syrah, not shiraz.

Alcohol 14.0% (8.3 Standard Drinks), pH 3.54, TA 6.29g/L, RS 0.6g/L

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