



Fairytale of the Barossa Grenache Rosé 2018

Dandelion Vineyards
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Sometimes in the middle of an ordinary life, love gives us a Fairytale



Background

Dandelion Vineyards is a unique fusion of vineyards and vigneron. Our wines represent decades of experience, blending the fruit of our old vine gardens with the finest traditions of artisan winemaking.

Dandelion Vineyards are proven plantings that have stood the test of time. Our wish is to nurture the unique character of these vineyards and express their terroir in our wines.

Capturing variety, vintage and vineyard requires an enlightened approach and although our growers see the Devil in every weed, we encourage the humble Dandelion amongst the vines as they suppress winter weeds, provide mulch in summer, and proffer their Wishing Clocks in spring to blow off to make our wish come true.

At the end of our old-vine garden path there is a Fairytale come true, our 90 year old bush vine Barossa garden in Nuriootpa.

After hand picking in the last week of March our winemaker Elena Brooks let the free run basket pressed juice ferment with natural indigenous yeasts in old French Oak barriques, then to sit on yeast lees for twenty weeks before bottling, without secondary fermentation or fining to capture the essence of our Fairytale of the Barossa.

This vintage of our Fairytale of the Barossa Rosé has a high level of natural acidity, (7.2 grams per litre) a pH 3.08 and less than 3.2 g/L of residual sugar with an alcohol of just 13.5%. It is truly a wine of its time and place, a wish come true.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Partridge eye, pink, bronze, copper, clear and bright.

Nose

Pure grenache sweet n' sour aromatics: the best of the variety's juicy fruit combined with the best of the variety's languid, gruff spice. Bath salts, lavender, roses, and the stoney, sandy ground of the vineyard just before rain.

Palate

Clean and refreshing with a strong outline of bright and buoyant acidity; properly underplayed primary fruit flavours that barely hint at Grenache's bubble-gum and raspberry spectrums. The back palate lingers and rings with softer fruit flavours of summer berries.

Drink

The rigid and confident structure of this wine enables it to embrace most foodstuffs; the backbone of fruit also helps it defeat or rather assuage any spicy or chilled dish. Indeed, in hot weather, with this wine well chilled, there's almost no menu item it will not convince, from cured fish to gazpacho to composed salads or drunken chicken.

Specifics

Composition: 100% Grenache
Latitude 34°32'32" South
Longitude 138°53'25" East
Altitude 659 Feet = 201 Metres

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