



Lionheart of the Barossa
Shiraz 2017

Dandelion Vineyards
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Barossa's Shiraz is Dandelion Vineyard's Lionheart



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.

Our Lionheart is so named after Barossa's lifelong champion of old vines, Carl Lindner. Shiraz. This wine comes from ancient, gnarled vines, some approaching and many over a hundred years of age that not only survive but thrive on their own roots in some of the oldest soils on the planet.

In the first week of March whole bunches of Shiraz were hand harvested, then gently crushed and naturally fermented in open fermenters for eight days, hand plunged twice a day, before careful basket pressing into some new but predominantly older French Oak Barriques to finish fermentation. After 18 months maturation and a racking in the same oak, we bottled our Lionheart with minimal winemaking artifact, to capture without filtration or fining, to capture the essence and purity of Carl's vines. Dandelion Vineyards Lionheart is ready to drink and will reward cellaring and decanting.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Intense crimson with youthful purple hues.

Nose

Lifted blue fruits, blood plum, ripe blackberries and Christmas pudding-like spice flow out of the glass with spicy pepper, and hints of bramble and dark chocolate.

Palate

Generous mouth filling sweet blackberry, raspberry and plums cover the palate with lashings of sweet spice. Firm but fine tannins and dark chocolate nuances continue throughout the lengthy palate with youthful finish.

Drink

Perfectly matched with all richly flavoured foods, meats, stews, game or mature hard cheeses. Alluring on the palate our Lionheart commands company with food and friends.

Winemaker

Elena Brooks, BSc (Oenology) Adelaide

Specifics

Composition: 100% Shiraz

Alcohol: 14.5%

Latitude 34°38'10" South

Longitude 139°05'30" East

Altitude 1441 Feet = 440 Metres

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