

# Coldstream Hills



## 2017 Deer Farm Pinot Noir

Coldstream Hills prides itself for having access to many of the best vineyards in the Yarra Valley. These sites are found throughout the upper and lower Yarra Valley with each vineyard providing a range of unique characteristics to the wines.

Back in the late 1980s, James Halliday introduced single vineyard wines to Coldstream Hills demonstrating their unique styles. The tradition has continued with the release of the Single Vineyard range.

**Deer Farm Vineyard, Gladysdale**

**Blocks:** E Top & D

**Vines planted:** 1994

**Clone:** MV6

**Aspect:** North facing

**Soil:** Duplex grey clay-loam

## Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

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**Vintage conditions:** The 2017 vintage was a return to a cooler weather pattern with cool spring months and a mild to warm Summer. Rainfall and yields were close to average, allowing grape flavour and sugar to ripen in a steady manner. Acid retention was excellent in the fruit giving rise to wines of freshness, vibrancy and great balance.

### Technical Analysis

**Harvest Date** 15th, 16th & 20th March 2017

**pH** 3.54

**Acidity** 5.8g/L

**Alcohol** 13.5%

**Residual Sugar** 0.4g/L

**Bottling Date** 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018

**Peak Drinking** To 2028

**Grape Variety**

Pinot Noir

### **Maturation**

Nine months in French oak – forty six percent new with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques.

### **Colour**

Light-medium red/crimson with purple hue.

### **Bouquet**

Ethereal and perfumed, with fragrant notes of muddled strawberry and cranberry. Savoury graphite-like mineral notes and subtle French oak offer an array of layers and complexity to the wine's aroma.

### **Palate**

A beautifully framed wine with silky texture, fine powdery tannins and great length. Muddled strawberry, cranberry and raspberry characters are interwoven with seamless French oak and graphite mineral notes.

Everything here is in balance – Upper Yarra Pinot at its finest.