

Coldstream Hills

2016 Deer Farm Vineyard 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: D and E
Vines planted: 1994
Clone: MV6
Aspect: North facing
Soil: Duplex grey clay-loam

Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

Vintage conditions: An un-seasonally warm Spring led to early budburst and fruit set. Canopies were healthy with yields generally above average. Dry, favourable conditions ensued with rapid fruit ripening and a uncharacteristically compressed vintage. Fruit quality was high, with the wines produced being generous in flavour.

Technical Analysis

Harvest Date 2-3rd March 2016
pH 3.47
Acidity 5.8g/L
Alcohol 14%
Residual Sugar 0.8g/L
Bottling Date 16th February 2017
Peak Drinking To 2026
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

Attractive savoury notes with muddled strawberry and cranberry fruit characters dominating. Highly perfumed and ethereal, with subtle nuances of French oak, raspberry and graphite.

Palate

An alluring medium bodied style with cherry spice, cranberry and muddled strawberry characters dominating. The palate is layered and textural, with seamless French oak barely evident. Classic Upper Yarra with fine, silky tannins, balance and deceptive length.