

# Coldstream Hills

## 2018 Reserve Shiraz



Coldstream Hills was established in 1985 by James and Suzanne Halliday and has since grown to become one of Australia's leading and most awarded small wineries.

The Coldstream Hills Reserve Shiraz has been a Single Vineyard wine since 2014, having been sourced from fruit grown nearby Coldstream Hills. This wine is made using traditional techniques in small open fermentation pots, including in some years, the use of whole clusters. The wine is matured in French oak barrels for approximately sixteen months, prior to blending and bottling.

**Grower:** Justin Fahey  
**Vines planted:** 2001  
**Clone:** Mixed  
**Aspect:** North facing  
**Soil:** Grey clay-loam

## Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

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**Vintage conditions:** A cool start to the growing season was overshadowed by a warm and humid late Spring. Dry conditions prevailed throughout the summer months with gloriously warm days and cool nights. A relatively early start to the season, which was fortunately tempered by an even period of sugar and flavour development.

### Technical Analysis

**Harvest Date** 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**pH** 3.53

**Acidity** 6.5g/L

**Alcohol** 14%

**Residual Sugar** 0.1g/L

**Bottling Date** October 2019

**Peak Drinking** Now to 2032

**Maturation** The wine was matured in seasoned and new (28%) French oak barriques for sixteen months.

### **Colour**

Dark-medium cherry-red with trace purple hue.

### **Bouquet**

Attractive and fragrant with dark cherry, blue-fruits and five-spice evident. Hints of rose petal, vanilla pod and anise are interwoven with subtle French oak.

### **Palate**

Medium-bodied in style, the palate displays classic cool climate suppleness, length of flavour and a chalky tannin finish. Dark cherry and blue fruit characters are harmoniously supported by inobtrusive French oak, pepper-spice and cinnamon. Layered and textural, this wine is an excellent example of Yarra Valley Shiraz.