

NEST EGG SHIRAZ, BIRD IN HAND

Vintage

2016



The Nest Egg range is created only in outstanding vintages and represents the very best of Bird in Hand; each bottle is individually numbered.

TASTING NOTE

Deep in colour, purple, with red hues. Classic cool climate shiraz, with layers of brambly dark fruits intertwined with kitchen spices of vanilla, clove, anise and pepper. A concentrated and powerful example of Adelaide Hills Shiraz that is superbly focussed with long, classy tannins.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A very dry Spring and warm Summer led to our earliest start to vintage on record. Yields were slightly above average for shiraz in the region. Cool to mild February and March nights led to optimal flavour development.

VINIFICATION DETAILS

The vineyard parcels are kept separate from picking to final blending. All fermenters were gently macerated each day during the 8-12 day of fermentation using a mix of plunging, gravity delestage and pump overs. Following ferment, fruit was air bag pressed to the finest French oak barrels for maturation, comprising of 50% new French oak 225L barriques. Great care is used when selecting oak for wine of this quality and concentration. Only the finest grained oak is used to enhance the wine, giving weight, drive, mouthfeel and complexity. The 2016 Nest Egg Shiraz is a careful blend of 12 exceptional barrels from the best vineyards produced from the outstanding 2016 season. After 22 months in oak, during which time the vineyard parcels remain completely separate, the blend was made using an inert and pump free system, prior to preparing for bottling shortly after.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol

14.5

pH

3.64

Acidity

6.1

AWARDS

Decanter World Wine Awards: Gold

San Francisco International Wine Competition: Gold

Mundus Vini Grand International: Gold

ATTRIBUTES



Origin

Australia



Variety

Shiraz (Syrah)



Malolactic Fermentation

Yes



Bottle Size

75cl



Vegetarian

Yes



Winemaker

Dylan Lee



Fining Agent

Egg white



Closure

Screw top



Region

Adelaide Hills



Vegan

No