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NEST EGG SHIRAZ, BIRD IN HAND

Vintage 2016



TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol
14.5

pH	Acidity
3.64	6.1

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 the 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.

AWARDS

Decanter World Wine Awards: Gold
San Francisco International Wine Competition: Gold
Mundus Vini Grand International: Gold

ATTRIBUTES

Origin	Variety	Malolactic Fermentation	Bottle Size	Vegetarian
Australia	Shiraz (Syrah)	Yes	75cl	Yes

Winemaker	Fining Agent	Closure	Region	Vegan
Dylan Lee	Egg white	Screw top	Adelaide Hills	No