



HEATHCOTE ESTATE

2016 HEATHCOTE ESTATE SINGLE VINEYARD SHIRAZ PRESSINGS

The 2016 vintage was exceptional in Heathcote, with all the makings of our finest yet. One of our coldest winters in recent memory was followed by a warm and dry spring, with perfect, even set and growth. The warm, dry and consistent conditions prevailed throughout summer, resulting in highly concentrated small berries.



Region	Drummonds Lane, Heathcote
Alc	13.5%
Block	B (33%), C (33%), F (34%)
Barrel	11 months. 500L French oak puncheons. 20% new
Harvest	6 – 13 February
Winemaker	Tom Carson

This the inaugural release of the 'Shiraz Pressings'. A wine for the long term, the Shiraz Pressings is a firmly structured wine with savoury tannins, and yet incredible perfume and sense of elegance.

Winemaking

The pressings selection is a collection of the very last few litres of wine from the fermented grape skins when the press is nearing completion. These precious few litres are loaded with fine graphite-like, dry and firm tannins. The 'pressings' were transferred into 500L puncheons for malolactic fermentation. Racked twice during maturation, bottled February 2017.

Tasting note

The resultant wine is highly fragrant and detailed with a super long and concentrated palate. It will reward extended cellaring.