



Little Giant Single Vineyard Premium Shiraz 2019

Grape Variety: 100% Shiraz
Region: Barossa Valley & Eden Valley
Winemaker: Corey Ryan
Closure: Screwcap
Alcohol: 14.5%
Pack Size: 6 Bottle Pack

Summary: The southern hairy-nose wombat is smaller than other wombats but is stocky, robust and the proud state emblem of South Australia. Like the might of the little wombat, Little Giant is crafted from premium regional South Australian fruit from established vineyards that deliver character and interest well above their size and weight.

Hand-crafted and made with minimal additions and preservatives, these are wines made of the vineyard. The grapes are picked at optimal ripeness, minimally handled in the winery and fruit vibrancy is not hidden by non-essential artifact. Seeking first and foremost fruit expression, drinkability and to be a great accompaniment to food.

Winemaking: Sourced from a 60 year old vineyard in the Light Pass sub district of the Barossa Valley, as well as a 55 year old Eden Valley vineyard . Chilled overnight before primarily de-stemming and cold soak for five days at eight degrees. Fermentation was a cool twenty five degrees in small open one tonne fermenters with twenty percent whole bunch and twice daily hand plunging. Matured in small and large format French oak barrels for 12 months. Bottled without fining and with minimal filtration.

2019 Vintage: Later than usual and more low yielding but the quality was spot on for many of the growers and vigneron of the Barossa. A dry winter and spring followed by a very hot summer saw fruit picker earlier than usual. Lack of rain did not add to disease pressure with soil retaining moisture due following sporadic rainfall events. 2019 showed stellar quality, particularly in the reds.

Tasting Note: The Barossa Valley makes up the majority of the fruit source with typical plum, red licorice, chocolate and mocha characters whilst the addition of the spicier, elegant fruit of the cooler Eden Valley has added lift, interest and freshness. The nose is dark and brooding, offering glimpses of dark berry fruit, exotic spice and hints of earth . The wine flows across the palate with a dense inky intensity and supple mouth-coating texture. The wine is impressively detailed and enhanced by a stalky whole bunch complexity. There's softness on the finish while maintaining freshness and vibrancy. Pair with a classic steak and bernaise sauce.