



Dandelion Vineyards

2020

'PRIDE OF THE FLEURIEU'

Cabernet Sauvignon | *Southern Fleurieu - Australia*



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Vineyard: Stranger's Reach Vineyard
Vine Age: 50-years-old
Soil Type: Deep alluvial mix
Viticulture: Sustainable - dry-farmed
Fermentation: Native – destemmed and crushed in stainless steel
Skin Contact: 14 days
Aging: 18 months in French barrique (20% new)
Alcohol: 14.5%
pH: 3.31
Total Acidity: 7.2 g/L
Total SO2: 50 ppm
Total Production: 3,000 cases
UPC: 9342160000133

Reviews

Wine Advocate | 93 points

About

This Pride of the Fleurieu Cabernet was grown in the family's pride and joy, overlooking the Finniss River wetlands, Tony Brooks and Prof. Barbara Santich's dry-grown 'Stranger's Reach Vineyard' cooled by the Great Southern Ocean and Lake Alexandrina where low rainfall and deep alluvial soils encourage Cabernet to 'populate or perish'.

Selected bunches were hand picked by family and friends in the last week of March and gently crushed into open top fermenters. After 8 days fermentation the wine was then basket pressed into some new but predominately older French Oak Barriques for 18 months maturation and then bottled without filtration or fining, to capture the essence of the vineyard and will reward cellaring and decanting.

Tasting Note

Vivid purple. Blackberry, cassis and cola on the fragrant nose. Offers an array of dark fruit compote and spice flavors and picks up smokiness with air, along with a floral nuance. Finishes sweet and long, with resonating spiciness and gentle tannic grip.