

TASTING NOTE

Name of Winery Old Plains Wine Co.
Wine Power of One Shiraz

Vintage 2016

Region of Fruit Source Adelaide Plains

Sub-Regions Angle Vale, Hillier, Penfield Gardens

Specific Vineyard J Noto, Manno, Gallarello Soil Red clay over limestone,

Trellis System Single wire Varietal Blend Shiraz

Winemakers Domenic Torzi / Tim Freeland

Alc/vol 14.5 %
Age of Vines 60+ years
Yield per acre 2 tonnes per acre
Total Production 250 cases

The Craft

Whole berry ferment in small open top fermenters. The must was gravity fed directly to the fermenters without pumping. Six days on skins with soft pump overs and minimal hand plunging. Gentle basket press extraction with ferment finishing off in barrel. Matured for 26 months in 100% French oak. Two rackings prior to unfiltered bottling.

Vintage Comments

The 2016 vintage proved to be a delight. With the help of the weather gods, good vineyard management and hands on winemaking, it should go down as a vintage of brilliant quality across all varieties. Our old vine Shiraz was picked between Feb 12 and Feb 16. Yields were up across all varieties and quality acid/ph balance superb. Shiraz provided stunning depth of flavour and late picked Cabernet Sauvignon full colouring and fine tannin. Adelaide Hills vineyards were on song, Feb 11 saw the Pinot/Chard sparkling base harvested followed by Pinot Gris Feb 18. All in all 2016 is a beauty.

Vineyard Notes

A classic selection of Adelaide Plains old vine vineyards each bringing its own personality. Angle Vale & Penfield Gardens provide classic Australian grape growing territory, 60 year old vines pocketed in thick-set red clay and loam. Whilst further east at Hillier along the banks of the Gawler River we have 60 year old vines sited in lighter Alluvium type loam.

Tasting note

Lifted aromatics of liquorice, nougat and spice. Full bodied and flush with dark chocolate and plum flavours that swirl about the mouth leading to a big long finish. Plenty of grainy tannins to its core giving grip. An added savoury note and quality French oak finishes off the complete package. Cellar 10 years.