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PONDS



## Grave's Gate 2015 Shiraz Adelaide Hills

### VINEYARD

The shiraz was selected from a single vineyard in the southern Adelaide Hills from the sub region of Kuitpo with a small portion of Kuitpo Cabernet added to round out the palate. The vineyard is planted on an easterly facing slope that gives elegant spice and pepper and managed with minimal water to concentrate flavour. The block contains low yielding balanced vines which produce delicately flavoured and regionally characteristic wines.

### WINERY

Fermented in a combination of open and potter fermenters for 8 days on skins allowing the rich fruit characters to be fully extracted from the grapes, managed with minimal pumpovers to avoid excessive extraction then pressed off skins and transferred straight to 1, 2 and 3 year old oak to finish ferment. The wine was matured on lees in a combination of French and American Oak for 18 months before clarification and bottling.

### COLOUR

Deep purple with a vibrant plum hue.

### BOUQUET

Aromas of blackcurrant and ripe plums, with fresh blueberries, hints of raspberry coulis and freshly picked spearmint are balanced with subtle freshly cracked black pepper and savoury spice.

### PALATE

On the palate there is juicy cherry and blueberry fruits, beetroot, raspberries and blood plum. The fruits are balanced and integrated with savoury dried herbs, fresh spearmint and nutmeg spice. Full bodied with firm, slightly drying but velvety tannins and balanced acidity, great fruit length with good savouriness.

### CELLARING

4-8 years.

### MATCH

Potato Gnocchi with rich beef ragu

### WINE ANALYSIS

Winemaker: Greg Clack  
88% Shiraz, 12% Cabernet  
Bottled: September 2016  
Alcohol: 14.8%

Acid: 7.0 g/L  
pH: 3.34  
Residual Sugar: 3.3g/L  
Sulphur: 92 mg/L