



# **Grave's Gate**

# 2018 Syrah Adelaide Hills

### **VINEYARD**

Sourced from two main vineyards, one in Kuitpo and the other in Forreston - the two blocks produce significantly different fruit characters from dark plums and red fruits with richness from the North facing block in Forreston to blackberry and blackcurrant in the Easterly facing Kuitpo block. both parcels are managed with strict VSP management.

#### **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 15% new French oak, and balance to 1, 2 and 3 year old oak to finish ferment. The wine was matured on lees in barrel for 15 months before clarification and bottling.

#### COLOUR

Deep Plum with Magenta hue.

#### **BOUQUET**

Fresh plums, blackberry, fragrant notes of violets, cracked black pepper and hints of dried herbs are integrated with notes of baking spice with hints of fresh cedar and balsamic.

## **PALATE**

Rich palate of ripe plums, blackberries, roasted balsamic beetroot and hints of cured meats, the palate has lively acidity and is balanced by juicy fruits with excellent persistence of flavour. Well structured palate with fine emery tannins.

Acid: 6.5 g/L

#### **CELLARING**

4-8 years.

#### **MATCH**

Potato Gnocchi with rich beef ragu

#### WINE ANALYSIS

Winemaker: Greg Clack 94% Shiraz, 6% Cabernet

pH: 3.61 Residual Sugar: 1.5g/L Bottled: June 2019 Sulphur: 80 mg/L Alcohol: 14.2%