



Thistledown, Gorgeous Old Vine Shiraz, South Australia, Australia, 2022

Producer Profile

Masters of Wine, Giles Cooke & Fergal Tynan, founded Thistledown Wines in 2010 after discovering iconic vineyard sites in the McLaren Vale, Barossa Valley and Adelaide Hills.

They make hand-made, small batch wines that perfectly illustrate the benefits of great sites and intelligent, minimalist winemaking.

Viticulture

The Shiraz was all picked from one old vineyard in the Riverland, a property that has been growing grapes since the early soldier settlements.

Winemaking

Fermented using wild yeasts. A short ageing in old French oak followed by bottling young to preserve the hugely aromatic, textural deliciousness that we sought from the outset.

Tasting Note

Not your average Shiraz! On the nose there are peaches, ripe nectarine, wild raspberry and a little spice. The palate is soft and slurpy, the texture silky and any tannins just add a little seasoning – like macerated strawberries and black pepper. Turning a previously undervalued resource into something that is hugely enjoyable and ultimately gorgeous.

Food Matching

Roasted lamb, beef stews and strong hard cheeses.

Awards

James Halliday 90 Points



Product code: 4431

Technical Details

Varieties:

Shiraz 96%
Zibibbo 11%
Fiano 3%



ABV: 14.5%

Closure: Screw cap

Colour: Red

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 12 x 75cl

Oak Ageing

Time: Short aging

Type: French Oak

% wine oaked: 100

% new oak: None

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