



BOWEN ESTATE

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2018 Bowen Estate Shiraz

Region: Coonawarra, South Australia

Variety: Shiraz 100%
Estate grown and hand pruned.

Vintage: The growing season leading into vintage 2018 saw good rains but a few late frosts reduced the yield over a small area. However, this was compensated by a very healthy fruit set across the balance of our vineyard. January onwards we experienced great weather conditions through to picking with ideal day time ripening temperatures coupled with slightly warmer than normal nights and only one period of refreshing rain. A warm first week of March with day time temperatures up to 33C hastened ripening especially for the early maturing Shiraz variety. All the portents and excitement resulted in the excellent quality of the 2018 grapes and wine.

Wine: The alluring 'fruit cake' juiciness of Shiraz is ever present in this wine. Our many years of selective vineyard replanting are coming to fruition. It aids this wine helping with extra depth and structure on the palate complimenting the luscious round fruit flavours naturally abundant in Shiraz. The meshing together of the focused American oak tannins, support the abundant layers of dark fruit and chocolate flavours on the palate.

Drink: Drink over the next 5-7 years.

The Bowen Family is proud to guarantee the origin of this wine. All grapes used are grown and harvested from our sustainably grown vineyards located on Coonawarra's famous terra rossa soil.