

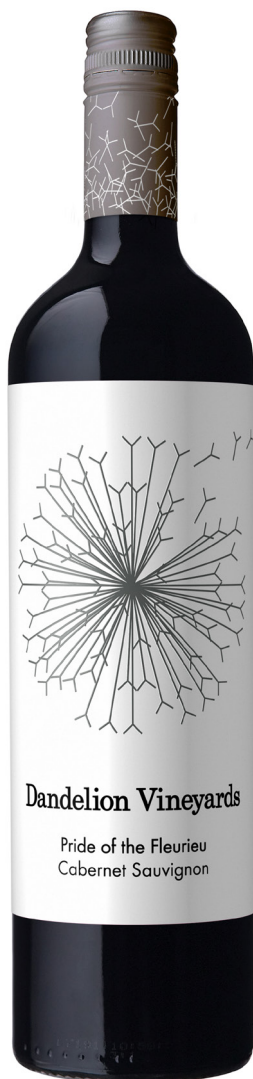
## Pride of the Fleurieu Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

**Dandelion Vineyards**  
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Stranger's Reach Cabernet is Dandelion Vineyards Pride of the Fleurieu

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### Background

Dandelion Vineyards is a unique fusion of vine and vigneron. Our wines represent decades of experience, blending the fruit of our heirloom vineyards with the finest traditions of artisan winemaking. Dandelion Vineyards are proven plantings that have stood the test of time. Our wish is to nurture the unique character of these vineyards and express their terroir in our wines.

Capturing variety, vintage and vineyard requires an enlightened approach and although our growers see the Devil in every weed, we encourage the humble Dandelion amongst the vines as they suppress winter weeds, provide mulch in the summer, and proffer their Wishing Clocks in spring to blow off to make our wish come true.

This Pride of the Fleurieu Cabernet was grown in the family's pride and joy, overlooking the Finnis River wetlands, Tony Brooks and Prof. Barbara Santich's dry grown Stranger's Reach vineyard cooled by the Great Southern Ocean and Lake Alexandrina where low rainfall and deep alluvial soils encourage Cabernet to 'populate or perish'.

Selected bunches were hand picked by family and friends on April 15th and gently crushed into open top fermenters. After 14 days fermentation the wine was then basket pressed into some new but predominately older French Oak Barriques for 18 months maturation and then bottled without filtration or fining, to capture the essence of the vineyard and will reward cellaring and decanting.

Vale Evelyn (gran) Phillips nee Walker vintage 1921-2010.

### Tasting Notes

#### Colour

An intense, regal purple with bright edges. A good indication as to what is to follow.

#### Nose

Scented blueberries, cassis and anise aromas with baking spice, cedar and blackberry notes.

#### Palate

Rich, deep, full-flavoured, blueberry, black plums, figs and red berry flavours. Cedar, clove, nutmeg and classic Cabernet tannins softened by smooth, mouth-filling fruit before a really extended finish.

#### Drink

Certainly great to drink now but will reward cellaring for up to 5 to 10 years. This wine will stand up to practically any full-flavoured dish.

#### Winemaker

Elena Brooks, BSc (Oenology) Adelaide

#### Specifics

*Composition:* 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

*Alcohol:* 14.0%

*TA:* 6.99g/L

*pH:* 3.54

*RS:* 2g/L

*Latitude* 35°24'23" South

*Longitude* 138°49'26" East

*Altitude* 80 Feet = 25 Metres

#### Wish you were here...

Carl Lindner & Brad Rey, *Vignerons*,  
Zar Brooks, *Typist & tba*,

Elena Brooks, BSc (Oenology)  
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