



Dandelion Vineyards

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Sleeping Beauty of the Barossa Grenache Shiraz Mataro 2020

The Sleeping Beauty waits restfully on a century-old bed of magical soils and vineyards from which it is one day awoken by love's first sip.



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Background

Dandelion Vineyards is a unique fusion of vineyards and vigneron. Our wines represent decades of experience, blending the fruit of our old vine gardens 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.

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Our Sleeping Beauty rests on century-old Barossa vineyards, in the historic town of Gomersal. After hand-picking selected bunches of Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro in mid-March our winemaker Elena Brooks let the whole bunches ferment together in open top fermenters with ambient yeasts. The wine was hand plunged for 14 days, before basket pressing into old French and American Oak barriques, to then mature for a further 24 months in the same oak, before bottling without fining or filtration to capture the essence of old-vine Barossa GSM.

This vintage of our Sleeping Beauty of the Barossa GSM has a high level of natural acidity, and is bone dry and although ready to drink immediately it will also reward time resting in the cellar till awoken by love's first sip.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Dark purple with a vermillion rim-edge..

Nose

Spice, olive, bay leaf, pastrami, soy, roasted meats, Schezuan pepper - and all perfumed at a more ethereal level by aromatics of violet and fennel, dried citrus peel, and vermouth. Aroma and bouquet as an amalgam. Heady but yet also a deft zephyr.

Palate

A rounded mouthful of red wine, with lift and line and length. Demeanour from bright berry fruits and keen acidity. Then grip and texture from the shiraz component, and pretty plushness from the mataro. Clean yet full; textural yet chiselled, rich but refreshing. Earth, leafiness, plums.

Drink

PeSpicy pork spare rib long-cooked, perhaps in your smoker. Quail cooked over coals, basted in herbs and chilli flakes. Any grilled summer vegetables served with a Romesco sauce.

Specifics

Composition: 70% Grenache, 25% Shiraz, 5% Mataro.

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Zar Brooks, *Typist & tba,*

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