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Wild Duck Creek

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2016 Springflat Shiraz

Tasting note: – Dark crimson and fragrant from the outset. The blue and black fruits shine with hints of mocha. This release just oozes class with a combination of 40% new French and American oak maturation for 22 months. The nose shows masses of blackberries, anise and fresh cut flowers. The palate is flavour packed with cherry cola, mulberries, coffee and liquorice. The natural acids are defining, and the mouth feel is palate-coating yet smooth. You're engaged from the first moment this wine enters your mouth. It has an extremely long finish, and as such it will stand up in your cellar for many years. 5% whole bunch during fermentation extracted beautiful layered tannins which are a defining feature of this wine. Cellaring for up to 15 years.

Grape Variety: 100% Shiraz
Alcohol: 15.8% Vol

Wild Duck Creek Estate is a small family-run winery situated 8km west of Heathcote, alongside the Wild Duck Creek itself. David (aka 'Duck') and Diana planted the first vines in 1974 and in 1979 named the first vineyard "Alan's Cabernet Vineyard", after Duck's late father Alan. The "Original Vineyard" was planted in 1988 on land owned by Diana's parents. Traditional winemaking methods including hand-picking, open fermentation, hand-plunging, basket-pressing, and long-term barrel-ageing are fostered, as is the use biodynamic principles on their own vineyards. Duck remains adamant however, that it's still the vineyard and site selection especially, that dictate great wines. Second-generation winemaking has flourished for more than a decade through Liam, whose methodical yet innovative approaches merge fantastically with Duck's eccentricity – a humorous and brilliant concoction! The estate's passion is to produce extraordinary wines of balance and power that enrich and delight the senses.



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