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Wild Duck Creek

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HEATHCOTE

2018 Yellow Hammer Hill

Tasting note: Garnet red colour. The nose is so alluring. Sniff after sniff reveals earth, cut meats and blood sausage. Its intoxicating dark boysenberry aromas keep you coming back for more. The flavours are bold yet silky, supple, gritty and tightly wound. It's opulent with a palate full of blue fruits. Blueberry, plums and tart red cherry are wonderfully primary. The back palate is long and sophisticated. Partly matured in concrete vats to further highlighting the pristine fruit in this wine. Enjoy over the next 7-15 years.

Grape Variety:

79% Shiraz,

12% Malbec

9% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol:

15.1% 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.

