# THISTLE DOWN WINE COMPANY



# Silken Beastie Shiraz 2017

# **Barossa Valley**

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## **Vintage Conditions**

2017 was defined by the very wet winter conditions that preceded it and by the cool, unpredictable and sporadically wet vintage conditions. Careful viticulture with restricted yields and open canopies were essential to healthy development. A late season, up to 6 weeks later than 2015, resulted in wines of purity and tension.

### Viticulture

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### Winemaking

Drawing on fruit from Ebenezer, Kalimna and Koonunga regions of north west Barossa, we pick low yielding fruit on the way up rather than the way down. Wild, partial whole bunch ferments, gentle extraction and sensitive use of oak have resulted in a wine that is both complex and concentrated yet pleasingly light on its feet.

## **Tasting**

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Alcohol: TBC%

Total Acidity: TBC g/l

pH: TBC

Residual Sugar: TBC g/l

SO2: TBC mg/l Fining: None Vegan: Yes Vegetarian: Yes





