

# TRENTHAM



*Reserve*

SHIRAZ

HEATHCOTE  
2017

The 2017 Heathcote Shiraz is part of our carefully selected Reserve range that aims to epitomise the best these regions have to offer.

#### The Wine

Rich and balanced showing lifted fruit aromas of plum, dark cherry and chocolate. A long, persistent palate well balanced with fruit sweetness and fine mocha oak.

#### The Vineyard

Sourced from a single vineyard in the middle of the renowned Heathcote region; a region famous for producing premium Shiraz. The vineyard's Cambrian soil allows the vines to consistently produce ripe, full flavoured fruit rich in berry and spice flavours with dark, deep red colour.

#### The Winemaking

The 2017 vintage in Heathcote was characterised by a longer and cooler than average growing season, producing wines with great finesse and structure. A relatively cold winter was followed by a cool and dry spring. The cool, dry and consistent conditions prevailed throughout summer, resulting in a later than average harvest date in March 2017.

The fruit was selectively harvested, crushed to a small closed fermenter and pumped over daily with a cool, long fermentation using a Syrah yeast strain. Extended time on skins allowed the tannins to soften and balance with the primary fruit, about 3 weeks in total. The wine was then pressed and matured in 40% new and 60% older French oak barriques for 18 months prior to bottling.

#### Technical Information

Varietal/s:	Shiraz
Alcohol:	14.5%
Acid:	6.0 g/l
pH:	3.4