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WINE REVIEW

Zema Estate Coonawarra Family Selection Shiraz 2018

Nowadays, Coonawarra and Cabernet seem inextricably linked, but there was a time when the grape that starred in this region was Shiraz. This wine shows just why.

Open fermenters for small batches, hand plunging followed by basket pressing, fermentation was finished in a combination of new and older French oak hogsheads. A further two years maturation before barrel selection was made for the final blend. A wonderful vintage.

A vibrant blood red colour here. A truly beautiful nose, offering alluring notes of chocolate, blackberries, dried fruits, herbs, soy, aniseed and violets. There is a fine focus here, in a well-crafted example of what this grape can do in this region. Beautifully balanced, this is seamless, offering serious length and with the silkiest of tannins.

A cracking Coonawarra Shiraz which will drinking superbly for a decade. These guys fly under the radar far more than they should. Never a bad wine and plenty of stunners, like this one. If you are not familiar, time you sought them out.

RATING

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