

DANDELION VINEYARDS **Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz**

Tasting Notes

Intense crimson with youthful purple hues. Lifted blue fruits, blood plum, ripe blackberries and Christmas pudding-like spice flow out of the glass with spicy pepper, and hints of bramble and dark chocolate. Generous mouth filling sweet blackberry, raspberry and plums cover the palate with lashings of sweet spice. Firm but fine tannins and dark chocolaty nuances continue throughout the lengthy palate with youthful finish.

Technical Data

Varietal: 100% Shiraz
Alcohol: 14.5%
pH: 3.55
Acidity: 6.46 g/L
Region: McLaren Vale

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Dandelion Vineyards Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz 2016
Rated 89, Jow Czerwinski, robertparker.com, March 29, 2018

"The 2016 Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz is a ripe, full-bodied wine that's kept restrained by ample acids and a firm set of tannins. It still delivers classic Barossa generosity, but that generosity has a clearly defined palate shape, featuring a long, crisp finish. Mixed berry fruit folds in hints of mint and mocha to add savory interest."

Dandelion Vineyards Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz 2016
Rated 94, James Suckling, January 2, 2018

"This is very decadent and rich with blackberry, spice, meat and earth character. Full body, dense and juicy yet always refined and fresh. Classy. Needs a year or two to soften. Screw cap."

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Rated 91, Natalie MacLean, March 2, 2018

"A full-bodied, rich, juicy Australian red wine made from the shiraz grape. Aromas of black plums and dark berries. Pair with grilled pork chops."

Dandelion Vineyards Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz 2016
Rated 90, Lisa Isabelle, winecurrent.com, February 12, 2018

"Produced from old-vine shiraz, many over 100 years of age, this value-laden beauty spent 18 months in French oak barrel and was left unfiltered before bottling. Abundant dark fruit aromas-blackberry, cassis and black currant-sprinkled with anise and baking spices rise easily from the glass. Dry, full bodied with velvety tannin, succulent dark fruit flavours dominate the palate adorned with spice and earthy notes while a note of mint permeates the long finish. Pair with herb-encrusted rack of lamb."

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Rated 89+, Joe Czerwinski, Wine Advocate, March 29, 2018

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Rated 89 & Recommended & Best Buy, Michael Vaughan,
Vintage Assessments, February 17, 2018

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Dandelion Vineyards Lionheart of the Barossa Shiraz 2016
Rated 89, David Lawrason, WineAlign, February 15, 2018

"This is a fairly intense, edgy shiraz with chocolate, pepper, menthol and blackcurrant fruit notes. It is full bodied with a firm acid seam, quite fine, softly gritty tannin and good fruit, herbal and oak expression on the palate. Very good length."