

# VIVO

## 2017 Adelaide Hills Arneis

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### Grab

Pithy, dry white – the ultimate summer cleanser - salt n pepper squid anyone?

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This is the ultimate summer cleanser. Forget your G&T, this Arneis from the cool climes of the Adelaide Hills will quench and refresh. Citrus and lime zest with a hint of nashi pear and minerality.

But this wine isn't just an aperitivo tease. Its purity of fruit, zippy persistence, and finely textured finish make it the 'perfect match' for a feast of dishes.

You'll love it...we love it!

### Colour

Pale straw, with tinges of green

### Bouquet

Nashi pear and passionfruit, with a hint of lime

### Palate

Nashi pear and pithy fruit flavours dominate, with lime zest and minerality, making the palate long and zingy. Some say Sauvignon Blanc, I say Arneis!

### Grub Match

Fresh scallops with ginger and shallots; chilli crabs; salt n pepper squid; agnolotti al plin

### Cellaring

Drink up!

### Vintage

In stark contrast to the previous year, the growing season started in the middle of a wet year. Annual rainfall was 150% of the long term average, with winter rainfall at 143% and spring rainfall at 198%. The resulting wet soils, combined with a cooler than average spring and early summer meant the vines grew slowly but healthily, and flowering/set was good. With few heat spikes in January and some timely rain events in February, March heralded the beginning of an Indian summer that lasted through to late April. All these conditions lead to slow, but perfect ripening and a vintage reminiscent of 2002. 2017 may be a prime vintage in both senses of the word

### Vineyard

Caj's vineyard is near Kersbrook in the northern Adelaide Hills - 340m above sea level on complex sandy clay loams over shale

### Vinification

The aim throughout the fruit processing stage is to preserve the fresh flavours by gentle handling, and by keeping the fruit and juice as cool as possible. The fruit is crushed as soon as it arrives at the winery and the free run juice drained off immediately. This is then fermented by a neutral yeast strain at low temperatures of 12-15°C so that the wine maintains primary fruit aromas and flavours. Throughout the process the aim is for minimal handling, and attention to detail, ensuring that the delicate aromatics are not compromised. Fermented to dryness, this wine was filtered and bottled soon after vintage in June 2017.

