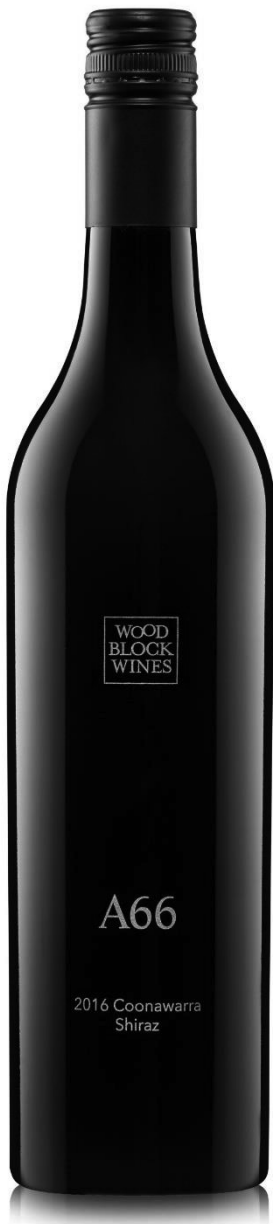




## **2016 A66 Coonawarra Shiraz – Vinification and Tasting notes**

**Clytha Vineyard** -2016 A66 Shiraz was sourced from our Riddoch Hwy 'Clytha' vineyard in Coonawarra planted in 1970 by Tim Kidman's grandfather, Grant Wood. Several decades of careful tending to the vines by our family sees the vines producing outstanding quality Coonawarra Shiraz in each and every vintage.



**Tasting Notes** - 2016 A66 Shiraz displays an intensely deep purple hue with classic Coonawarra shiraz aromas of ripe dark fruits and cassis. A generously proportioned palate of earthiness and briar with top notes of mocha, mulberry and black pepper well balanced by soft fine-grained tannins leading to a lengthy satisfying finish.

**Vinification** -A66 Coonawarra Shiraz was hand-picked at optimum berry ripeness and flavour then transported immediately a very short way to the neighbouring Glenroy Community Winemakers facility in the historic Glenroy shearing shed. The grapes were crushed and destemmed into a small (1t) static fermenter and allowed to commence fermentation with solely the indigenous yeasts that exist on the grapes. Careful hand plunging three times per day to both break up and keep the cap moist enables all the intense flavours and colours in the skins and ripe and soft tannins from the seeds to be expressed in the finished wine.

After seven days the wine was pressed off skins and transferred to 50% new French oak 300L hogsheads for maturation. Over time, the oak integrates fully with the wine, softening and adding subtle textural complexity to both the bouquet and palate.

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