

# 2017 Izway Angelo (100% Aglianico)

#### Izway Wines Philosophy

Izway Wines is a partnership between Brian Conway and Craig Isbel based in Seppeltsfield in the Barossa Valley. We met during vintage at Chateau du Bluizard in Beaujolais in 2002. Our wine making is simple and minimalistic and is based on old world, hands on techniques. We ferment our wines using indigenous yeast, limit our acid additions as much as possible, we rarely use nutrient, never use tannin or any other additions and we never fine or filter our wines. We both love the purity and energy of natural wines and these are the styles that we are emulating.

We would like to think our wines are a true expression of the terroir from which they are sourced and all of our winemaking philosophies are based around expressing terroir as truly as possible.

## 2017 Vintage Comments

2017 saw a continuation of the stellar run of great vintages in the Barossa Valley, and although each display striking differences, all harvests since 2012 will stand the test of time. High Winter and Spring rainfall as well as comparatively cold conditions through harvest guided the profiles of the 2017 wines. The summer was warm but not hot and there were no extended heat waves. The wines are defined by delicate, vibrant aromatics and elegant structures, particularly the Grenache while the Shiraz maintains its powerful persona. Another classic Barossa Harvest for both the cellar and the dinner table.

### Vineyard & Wine

Over the years we have been on the hunt for another red varietal that could match the quality of Mataro, Grenache and Shiraz in the Barossa Valley. We decided Aglianico from Basilicata, Italy would work well and so we approached John, Barb and Andy Kalleske to plant some in their Koonunga vineyard.

Bottled after 12 months in seasoned French oak, the wine is unashamedly Barossan – but in the mid palate and finish there is a little Italian edge. Still guite primary on the nose with spice, red fruits and leather, the palate has lovely dark cherry and plum, and finishes long with really clean acidity, lovely drying tannins and a savoury lick.



Vineyard: Andy, John & Barb Kalleske Aglianico Vineyard

Sub Appellation: Koonunga

**Details:** Planted 2009, soil is sandy loam over deep clay

