

# Cooter & Cooter

South Australia

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Cooter & Cooter is a family business and the logo reflects the connection between the generations of winemakers. The cursive script has been used by various Cooter businesses since 1847.

In 1992 Colin Cooter created Lengs & Cooter with Karel Lengs and in 2012 Colin's son James established Cooter & Cooter with his wife Kimberly. A winemaker herself, Kimberly began learning her craft under the tutelage of her father, veteran McLaren Vale winemaker Walter Clappis. Walter is best known for his much celebrated time running Ingoldby Wines and more recently, The Hedonist Wines.

In 2005 James and Kimberly spent a year working in California's Sonoma Valley then, invigorated by their experience, they returned to Australia to continue making wine at The Hedonist. Finally in 2012, now with over 20 vintages between them, they purchased their own vineyard at Whites Valley near Willunga in McLaren Vale. The vineyard, with views to the coast just a few kilometres away, features Grenache vines planted in the 1950s, along with Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon vines planted in 1996.

## 2017 Watervale Riesling

This classic Clare Riesling was dry grown in the heart of Watervale on red "terra rossa" soil over limestone.

*"A Classic Clare Riesling full of lime and pear aromas followed by white peach and wet stones on the palate. Still youthfully tight so it needs time to unfurl, but its showing great freshness already. Drink 2018—2026. 12% alc. 91"* Decanter

## 2017 Pinot Noir

Made from a blend of 2 vineyards in the Adelaide Hills both made separately and blended before bottling. One parcel from Kupto on the southern edge of the Adelaide Hills was picked earlier and made with about 20% whole bunch and the second parcel was from an exceptional vineyard in Picadilly picked later with a riper fruit profile and was made in 2 batches. One batch with whole berries and the second with whole bunches was left for a week after ferment to increase complexity. The wine was aged in 5yo French oak and given a light filtration before bottling. Pale medium colour with lovely fine purple fruit aromas showing lift and floral hints with a little spice. Fresh easy drinking approachable style with very fine sappy tannins giving a little framework to the supple fruit.

## 2016 Shiraz

The Shiraz is Estate grown on the Cooter & Cooter Whites Valley vineyard. This wine and has been matured in 4 year old French oak hogsheads, letting the bright and juicy fruit from our vineyard shine. It displays cocoa and black cherries with fine tannins finishing long. pH – 3.59 ALC – 14.04% Bright lifted spicy raspberry aromas lead on to a lively and intense palate that delivers generosity and depth without heaviness. Very fine tannins and generous blackberry fruit framed beautifully by fresh acidity.

