

BAROSSA VALLEY

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Schild Estate Wines are created with an authenticity and passion that comes from generations of a family who have made their home in the Southern Barossa.

2016 Ben Schild Reserve Shiraz

The Vineyard

Named after Ed Schild's grandson, Angus, and the Scottish word 'Brae' meaning a steep hillside, this vineyard is located 4 km north of the Lyndoch Township. This relatively young vineyard is managed to suit the soil profile and terroir ensuring premium fruit is produced. The vineyard was purchased by the Schild family in December 2001.

The Vintage

A mild, December and January with cool nights saw ideal conditions prevail towards the end of the 2016 growing season. The result was a measured pace of ripening which ensured the balanced development of sugar and flavours in the fruit along with the retention of natural grape acid before some later season warmth allowed some real fruit presence to develop.

Technical Notes

Harvested and then crushed into traditional open top fermenters. The wine undergoes pre-fermentation cold soak and is then either gently pumped over to obtain optimal colour and retain complex fruit flavours. Additional post fermentation maceration usually occurs before the wine is drained and pressed to barrel. Free run and pressings are usually kept separate and a combination of new and aged oak barrels are used for a maturation of between 18-24 months. The wine is then blended from a combination of single vineyard shiraz that has been aged separately in French, American and Hungarian Oak.

Tasting Notes

This wine has relaxed and opened up after some bottle age to provide a real sense of invitation on the nose to draw the drinker in. Classic Shiraz aromas of black fruits, dark chocolate and fresh vanilla bean appear early before a brief, subtle glimpse of vegemite spice adds some layers and interest. On the palate there is a sense of control and balance to the mouth-feel where fullness is provided by some dark primary plum and blackberry fruit. A fresh acid line ensures a present, but fine tannin structure which corsets the wine just enough to keep it focused.

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Accolades & Awards

DOUBLE GOLD | San Francisco International Wine Competition 2019
SILVER | International Wine Challenge 2019
SILVER | Decander World Wine Awards 2019
SILVER | AWC International Wine Challenge 2019
94 POINTS | James Halliday Wine Companion 2020



Varietal: 100% Shiraz

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Angus Brae

Soil Type: Sandy Loam

Oak: New to Twice Aged French, American & Hungarian Oak Hogsheads

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 3.38

Titrateable Acid: 7.60g/L

Food Paring: Osso Bucco

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine