

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.

2018 Edgar Schild Reserve Bush Vine Grenache

The Vineyard

Planted in 1916 these Centenarian bush vines grow high on the Eastern hills overlooking Rowland Flat. The low-yielding, hardy vines grow untrellised and are constantly exposed to the elements. The premium grapes are hand-picked the way they have been for over a hundred years.

The Vintage

Reasonable spring and winter rain saw adequate soil moisture during the growing season with healthy canopies heading into veraison. January and February were dry, slowing the pace of ripening and keeping yields lower than initially predicted. This meant moisture and canopy management were key to reducing stress and maintaining vine health at the back end of the season. If that was achieved, the red wines produced from the region in 2018 are of high quality and showing genuine promise early on.

Technical Notes

Hand harvested and then crushed into either traditional open top fermenters or large format oak, the wine undergoes pre-fermentation cold soak and is then either gently pumped over or punched down by hand according to winemaker specifications so as to obtain optimal colour and retain complex fruit flavours. Additional post fermentation maceration usually occurs before the wine is then 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 12-14 months. The wine is then prepared for bottling before seeing some further time in bottle prior to release.

Tasting Notes

Dark ruby, clear & bright with perfumed aromas of both red and dark fruit show prominently upfront and entice the drinker in before subtle glimpses of nut loaf, cardamom and oak spice add a secondary layer of interest. In the mouth the interplay between red and dark fruit continues with flavours of morello cherries, red currants and dark plum filling out the front and mid pallets with fleshy voluptuousness. A fine subtle tannin frame then works in and around the wine to constantly lift and support it on its journey through the palate. The result is a sense of interest and morerishness as the wine finishes long and balanced.

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Varietal: 100% Grenache

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Kleemans Block

Vines: Centenarian Bush Vines

Oak: New to Twice Aged French Oak
Puncheons

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 3.61

Titrateable Acid: 5.9g/L

Food Paring: Veal Scaloppini or Peking Duck
Pancakes

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine