

SALTRAM

THE JOURNAL SHIRAZ 2015

From the first time William Salter planted vines in 1859, he meticulously kept a journal to record his vineyard and winemaking activities, including techniques that are still used to make the Saltram wines today.

Saltram the Journal Centenarian Shiraz was sourced from a vineyard within the Mt McKenzie region. The vineyard was planted in 1901 and sits at an elevation of 472 meters above sea level.

This wine is classified as a Centenarian under the Barossa Old Vine charter due to the vine age exceeding 100 years.

Handpicked from very low yielding vines the wine has very fine, unwavering grainy tannins which provide a line to shoulder the lingering brambly fruit reminiscent of red cherries, wild strawberries and blackberries. This is a wine with great length and persistence, which with careful cellaring will endure for many years. A single vineyard wine sourced from a vineyard planted over a century ago, this wine is a precious tribute to the rich Barossa Shiraz history.



SHAVAUGHN WELLS WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Harvest: Handpicked 2nd April 2015

pH: 3.47

Acidity: 6.7

Alcohol: 14.5

Residual Sugar: 0.2

Bottling Date: 3Rd November 2016

Peak Drinking: This wine can be enjoyed now and will develop complexities with careful cellaring.

It is recommended to decant prior to

serving.

Grape Variety: Shiraz

Maturation

The 2015 Journal Shiraz was matured for seventeen months primarily in a seasoned French oak vat with the balance maturing in new French oak barrels. Maturation in larger vats enables the pithy tannins to soften and complex over time while ensuring the individual characteristics of the vineyard are centre stage.

Colour

Bright rich red

Nose

The 2015 Journal Shiraz is lively and layered, with lifted aromatic notes of dried spices lingering on the nose after the initial flourish of cherries, strawberry compote and hints of bittersweet chocolate are savoured.

Palate

Fine, unwavering grainy tannins provide extraordinary length and persistence on the palate of the 2015 Saltram Journal. A medium bodied wine with lingering brambly fruit reminiscent of wild strawberries and cherry pith present a depth and intensity that unveils the elegance of this wine. The 2015 vintage bore exceptionally bright wines with vibrancy and clarity.