



# SALTRAM

2017

*No.1*

## BAROSSA SHIRAZ

Established in 1859 by William Salter & Sons, Saltram wines have a proud history of more than 160 years for quality winemaking, innovation and a commitment to the Barossa region. An immigrant from England, William Salter was one of the first people to purchase land in the newly opened land survey known as the Barossa Valley. The Saltram No.1 Shiraz is one of the most decorated wines to be made from the Barossa. Sourced from low-yielding vines primarily along the Eastern fringe of the Barossa Valley floor, the wine is a perfect postcard of the strength, power and character that is typical of iconic Barossa Shiraz. Made in traditional style open fermenters and with a deep intensity in both colour and flavour, it is a wine that will never disappoint. Saltram wines have long been known for their richness, intensity, and character: this wine reflects these attributes while exploring the depth of the Barossa.



**Vineyard Region:** Barossa-80% Barossa Valley, 20% Eden Valley

**Grape Variety:** Shiraz

**Harvest Date:** March 2017

**pH:** 3.51

**Acidity:** 6.6g/L

**Alcohol:** 15%

**Additives:** Contains Sulphites.

**Bottling Date:** November 2018 followed by 12 months bottle maturation.

**Peak Drinking:** The 2017 Saltram No.1 has ample fruit intensity and richness. This wine can be savoured now and will continue to build complexity whilst carefully cellared.

We recommend decanting the wine prior to serving.

### ALEX MACKENZIE WINEMAKER COMMENTS

**Vintage Conditions:** The 2016/17 growing season commenced with cooler than average conditions through spring into early summer, resulting in good set and flowering conditions. Regular rain events and cooler conditions throughout the growing season resulted in a later harvest. These ideal milder conditions saw the grape phenology mature in line with sugars levels, producing exceptional full flavoured wines which retained their natural acidity.

**Maturation:** Large format seasoned French oak casks and new and seasoned French oak barrels for eighteen months

**Nose:** Ripe plums, black olives and dark cherries complemented with hints of cocoa and anise.

**Palate:** This full-bodied red wine has a velvety palate with an excellent line of fruit flavours, chalky tannins and a fine lingering finish. The palate is dense with layers of rich dark fruits, a complex array of spices and a wonderful seamless palate that continues to persist.