



# THE WHOLE DAM FAMILY

VINTAGE

*Shiraz 41%, Grenache 24%, Mourvedre 22%, Carignan 7%, Cinsault 6%*

2012

## Heritage

Château Tanunda was established in 1890 and is the site of some of the first vines planted in the Barossa in the 1840s as well as the Valley's first winery. "The Château" is an Australian heritage icon whose grand buildings, magnificent gardens and prime vineyards are owned by the Geber family who continue a tradition of fine winemaking spanning three centuries.

## Philosophy

The Whole Dam Family celebrates the historic relationship between Château Tanunda, the Barossa and its generations of grape growers and winemakers who love nothing more than to let their hair down and kick up their heels. Once you see the photograph on the label you will understand what we mean! The wine is a blend of the Whole Dam Family of meridional French varieties: Shiraz, Grenache, Mourvèdre, Carignan and Cinsault.

## Winemaking

Sourced from a selection of individual growers blocks in the Barossa, this patchwork quilt of Shiraz, Grenache, Mourvèdre, Carignan and Cinsault was pieced together from a number of parcels, each variety was individually fermented in small 3 tonne stainless steel fermenters, and basket pressed a gentle process that can take up to 24 hours. Aged in mature oak barrels for 9 months, so as to not become too extracted or oaky, this soft style is vibrant and fresh with a long, soft finish.

## Tasting note

This limited release blended wine is medium bodied with aromas of strawberry and cherry and subtle spice notes. The palate is well balanced with notes of vanilla, cinnamon, black olives and pepper.



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| <b>Analysis</b>   | <b>Fermentation</b> | <b>Cellar Time</b>       |
| pH 3.42           | Stainless steel     | Up to 5 years            |
| <b>TA</b> 7.0 g/L | <b>Winemaker</b>    | <b>Match with</b>        |
|                   | Stuart Bourne       | Game and mushroom dishes |
| <b>RS</b> Dry     |                     | <b>Bottled under</b>     |
|                   |                     | Cork                     |
| <b>Alc.</b> 14.0% |                     |                          |

## DISTRIBUTION:

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