

# Heritage Series 'Old Vine' Shiraz 2021

## Heritage

The Old Vine Shiraz celebrates the world famous old vines of the Barossa with a step into the quality and history of these amazing vines. The old image on the front label is a throwback to the heritage of the Chateau with one of the original 1970s labels.

# Vineyard

This special release wine comes from Barossa old Shiraz vines of at least 35 years of age. Their worthiness has been proven over many vintages, consistently producing fruit for wines of distinction and longevity.

# Winemaking

The wine is handcrafted in small open fermenters and basket pressed before 15 months' maturation in French and American oak barrels. The wine displays classic Barossa Shiraz characters of rich dark berry fruits, plum, black forest cake and sweet spice. Enjoy now or cellar carefully for up to 10 years.

## **Notes**

This old vine Shiraz is full of soft, dark cherry fruit, black berries and mocha flavors with rich notes of dark chocolate and subtle oak. The palate is textured and layered, with the dark berry fruit aromas again coming to the fore framed by silky tannins. The palate has a long plush, elegant finish.

Alc/Vol:	14.5%	Closure:	STELVIN® LUX
TA:	6.5 g/l	Maturation:	15 months French and American Oak.
RS:	<2 g/l	Potential Cellaring:	10 Years
рН	3.5	Winemaker:	Neville Rowe



#### Reviews

#### 95 POINTS

Review by: Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

Superbly ripe and powerfully expressed with blackberry, cracked pepper, cedar and dark chocolate aromas, it's concentrated and sumptuous in the mouth delivering terrific opulence together with velvety texture and beautifully melded tannins. Gratifying and hugely appealing. At its best: now to 2041.

#### 94 POINTS

Review by: Ken Gargett, Wine Pilot

The team release wines in the 'Heritage' series when appropriate. The wines will come from vines at least 35 years of age, and which have proved themselves over time. This wine spent fifteen months in a combination of French and American oak. It is a vibrant purple hue. The nose opens with pleasing plummy touches and mulberries, chocolate, cassis and more chocolate. Reminiscent of the most decadent blackforest cake. Rich and concentrated, but it never loses its fine balance. This is a youthful Barossa Shiraz which is starting to exhibit some early complexity, and shows so much promise. Supple texture, there are abundant but very fine, silky tannins. Nice length and the intensity is maintained for the full journey. Now for the next six to eight years. Like this a lot.

#### 93 POINTS

Review by: Dave Brookes, Halliday Wine Companion

Old-vine shiraz (35+ years) aged in French and American oak for 15 months. A lovely smelling wine with characters of ripe red and dark plums, blackberry and a splash of cranberry cut through with hints of baking spices, red licorice, purple flowers and blackforest cake. Sprightly yet intense in the mouth with a chalky tannin structure, bright acidity and a morello-cherry twang on the exit.

#### GOLD MEDAL

Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2023

