

# ICON OF THE BAROSSA



# Shiraz 2012

### Heritage

This wine represents the absolute pinnacle of winemaking here at Château Tanunda. We select only the very best grapes from individual vineyard blocks in exceptional vintages, set aside only the finest part of the fermented wines for maturation in the finest French and American oak. We then make a barrel selection of the finest wines to produce two puncheon barrels of the pinnacle, or Everest, of that vintage.

## Vineyard

The 2012 vintage comes from the Hage, Scholz and Semmler vineyards in the Nuriootpa, Ebenezer and Lyndoch sub-regions respectively. Yields are controlled to less than 1ton/acre with careful viticultural management by hand, allowing for optimum ripening conditions and best possible quality Shiraz. Hand picked.

## Winemaking

The grapes are destemmed and fermented in small open stainless steel fermenters over 7 days. We gently hand plunge and pump-over the must several times per day for a gentle extraction of aromas, colour and tannins.

Prior basket pressing, the finest part of the must is run off and racked to oak to naturally complete malolactic fermentation before the highest quality juice in the cap was run-off to new French and American oak for 23 months maturation in our cellars. Bottled unfined and unfiltered. Released at a minimum of 5 years after vintage.

рН:	3.52	Closure:	Cork
TA:	6.9 g/L	Maturation:	23 months French and American
RS:	>0.5 g/L	Potential Cellaring:	10-20 Years
Alc/Vol:	14.5%	Winemaker:	Stuart Bourne





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**Score: 97 POINTS** 

#### Review by: Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com

Deep, dense, profound colour, red/purple and youthful. Concentrated and latent on the nose, black fruits, pinpoint ripeness and elegant. Sweet, ripe, essency flavour of dark berries and plums, a lush wine with masses of fruit and an array of gorgeous flavour, perfectly timed ripeness and altogether sensational.

**Score: 95 POINTS** 

#### Review by: Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

This is a big black glass staining number for sure. Red and black berries, mocha and dark chocolate, cinnamon toast and vanilla. Full bodied, lovely ripeness of fruit combined with excellent definition – not sloppy in the slightest – smooth grained tannin, even acidity, layers of spice and a very long precise finish. Slight grittiness in the aftertaste, but altogether convincing. Price is as high as the quality.

**Score: GOLD MEDAL** 

**Review by: International Wine Challenge** 

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Review by: International Wine and Spirit Competition, International Wine and

**Spirit Competition 2016** 

**Score: 93 POINTS** 

#### Review by: Joe Czerwinski, The Wine Advocate

A blend of grapes grown in Nuriootpa, Ebenezer and Lyndoch, the 2012 The Everest Shiraz spent 23 months in oak. That's left a strong impression on the wine, with vanilla, baking spices and menthol notes framing boysenberry and blackberry fruit. It's full-bodied and still muscular despite its age. Big, bold and unabashedly Barossan, it offers a mouthful of flavor, firm tannins and a juicy, mouthwatering finish. Drink 2020 – 2035

**Score: 95 POINTS** 

Review by: James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2021

