



ICON OF THE BAROSSA

The Everest

Shiraz 2016

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 to blend of the finest wines to produce the pinnacle, or Everest, of that vintage.

Vineyard

The 2016 vintage comes from the Stonewell, Marananga and Eden Valley sub-regions. 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 to small baskets in the cool morning at 10C to ensure the best quality delivery to the winery.

Winemaking

The grapes are hand-sorted, destemmed and fermented in small open stainless steel fermenters over 7 days. We gently hand plunge four times daily for a gentle extraction of aromas, colour and tannins. After careful basket pressing, the wine is matured in finest French and American oak for 18 months before a further 24 months maturation in bottle before release. Bottled unfiltered, we recommend decanting before serving.

Note

An intense, enticing nose of rich, red berry fruits and subtle French oak. The wine is incredibly dense and focused with a richness and purity that simply exudes top class Barossa Shiraz. Rich dark chocolate, mocha and cedar spice are all to the fore but the central core is highly focused.

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| pH: | 3.5 | Closure: | Cork |
| TA: | 7.2 g/L | Maturation: | 18 months in 86% French and 14% American Oak Barrels (33% New) 24 months in Bottle |
| RS: | 0.5 g/L | Peak Drinking: | 2020-2038 |
| Alc/Vol: | 15% | Winemaker: | Neville Rowe |



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Score: 96 POINTS

Review by: Huon Hooke, The Real Review

Deep red colour with a tinge of purple. The bouquet shows pepper and spices, maraschino cherries, more oak than the 100 Year Old, with a very tight, firm, tensioned palate of concentration and density, firm tannins and impressive drive across the palate. Very ripe, dense and tightly packed, long and sinuous. Very good if not as powerful or huge as the 100 Year Old. Drink 2019-2036

Score: 98 POINTS

Review by: Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

Full-throttled and lavish, yet it's graceful and sophisticated; showing blackberry, mixed berry compote, toasted spice and vanillin oak characters on the nose with nuances of tar, game and walnut. It's dense and sumptuous on the palate with spectacular vigour and presence, wonderfully complemented by silky mouthfeel and perfectly pitched tannins. At its best: 2026 to 2046.

Score: 95 POINTS

Review by: James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2021

Bottle no 769/1200. The absolute pinnacle of winemaking at Chateau Tanunda from specific low-yielding blocks. Open-fermented, 10 days on skins, plunged, 18 months in French and American oak. Opaque; dense crystallised fruit dipped in dark chocolate... Drink by 2036

Score: 94 POINTS

Review by: Joe Czerwinski, The Wine Advocate

There are but 100 cases of Chateau Tanunda's 2016 The Everest Shiraz, sourced from Stonewall, Marananga and Eden Valley. It's a barrel selection of the finest lots, which matured in French and American oak for 18 months prior to bottling and then aged two years in bottle prior to release. Rich and creamy in the mouth, it's full-bodied, expansive and luxurious, sure to appeal to lovers of big, broad, Barossa Shiraz, with ample vanilla and cedar accents and dark, blackberry and plum fruit. Drink Date: 2021 - 2035

