



The Château

BETHANIAN SHIRAZ

2013

Heritage

Château Tanunda was established in 1890 and is the site of the very first vines planted in the Barossa in the 1840s. 'The Château' is a heritage icon, the grand buildings, magnificent gardens and vineyards are owned by the Geber family who continue the century old tradition of fine winemaking.

Vineyard

The grapes for the Bethanian Shiraz were grown on the sandy loam soils of an estate in Bethany a sub- region of the Barossa which was first planted in 1960.

Winemaking

The grapes were destemmed, but not crushed, and spent seven days on their skins in open fermenters to gently extract colour, flavours and tannins. This was followed by careful basket pressing and fermentation in a combination of new and seasoned American and French oak barrels prior to eighteen months maturation in our cellar.

Tasting note

A full bodied wine with aromas of blackberry, blueberry and black pepper supported by spicy, dark berry fruits on the palate. The extensive finish is framed by elegant, fine-grained tannins.



Analysis

pH 3.47

Oak

American and French oak

Cellar Time

5 - 10 years

TA 6.50g/L

Winemaker

Stuart Bourne

RS 2.2g/L

Bottled under

Cork

Alc. 14.5%

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91 POINTS

Review by: James Suckling, jamesuckling.com

The Bethany subregion has delivered a bright, crisp, even shiraz that has a deep, ripe-blackberry fruit core and a wealth of ripe, dark-plum and blackberry fruit. Really nicely built around fine tannins. Balanced and juicy. Drink now. 91/100

SILVER MEDAL

Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2015

91 POINTS

Review by: Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

Bethanian alludes to the fruit source being a vineyard in the sub-region of Bethany, planted in 1960, though it kind of sounds like a cult. Sumptuous wine loaded with ripe blackberry, choc-vanilla and sage. Medium to full bodied, silky and well rounded with a plump sweet dark fruit, rum and raisin, well managed acidity and deluxe chocolaty finish – slick of ripe tannin to close. Does the job admirably well.

