

ICON OF THE BAROSSA

# THE CHÂTEAU BETHANIAN SHIRAZ 2018

## Heritage

Château Tanunda, Icon of the Barossa was established in 1890 and is the site of some of Valley's earliest vines as well as its first winery. The Château is privately owned by the Geber family who continue a tradition of fine winemaking spanning three generations.

## Vineyard

The grapes for the Bethanian Shiraz were grown on the sandy clay loam soils of the Bethany sub- region of the Barossa.

## 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.

94 Points – Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)
93 Points - Huon Hooke (The Real Review)
92 Points – Andrew Caillard MW

**Alc.** 15.5%

**Maturation** 18 Months in French and American oak Barrels

**Winemaker** Neville Rowe **Recommended Drinking:** Until 2030

**Bottled under** Cork

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#### 92 POINTS

#### **Review by: Andrew Caillard MW**

Medium crimson. Red currant red cherry brambly aroma with sage cola notes. Buoyant and sweet fruited with red currant, dried plum, dark chocolate, chinotto flavours, fine looseknit chalky textures, attractive creamy richness, roasted nut/ espresso maturation characters and persistent underlying red liquorice notes.

#### **94 POINTS**

#### Review by: Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

Sweetly fruited and delightfully spicy at the same time, the wine shows blackberry, clove, roasted nut and subtle game characters on the nose, leading to a beautifully supple palate that delivers succulent fruit flavours and smooth mouthfeel. It's mouth-filling with layers of gorgeous flavours, finishing long and satisfying. At its best: now to 2030.

#### **93 POINTS**

#### Review by: Huon Hooke, The Real Review

Deepish red colour with a trace of purple, a touch forward-developed, the bouquet very vegetal and herby with strong hints of whole-bunch. It's very peppery, and these characteristics turn supple, succulent and fruitsweet in the mouth, while the tannins maintain suppleness and persistence. This tastes of a cooler clime, but retains the luxurious fruit sweetness and succulence of the Barossa. An interesting wine. Drink 2020-2032

### **91 POINTS**

#### Review by: Nick Stock, jamessuckling.com

Quiet classical, red-plum and blackberry aromas with a gently smoky edge, too. The palate has a very seamless delivery of red plums. Smooth, supple tannins. Drink now. Screw cap.

#### GOLD MEDAL

**Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2021** 



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