

THE CHÂTEAU SINGLE VINEYARD BETHANIAN SHIRAZ 2021

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

From our estate vineyard on the sandy loam soils on Bethany creek. Settled by German immigrants in the 1840s, Bethany, or 'Bethanian' as the locals called it, is the oldest settlement in the Barossa.

Winemaking

The grapes are destemmed, but not crushed, and spend 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, plum and white pepper supported by spicy, dark berry fruits and rich dark chocolate on the palate. The extensive finish is framed by elegant, fine-grained tannins.

Alcohol: 14.5%

Production: 500 dozen

Maturation 18 months in French and American oak barrels

Winemaker Jeremy Ottawa **Recommended drinking:** Now until 2030

Bottled under Screw cap







ICON OF THE BAROSSA

90 POINTS

Review by: Aaron Brasher, The Real Review

Dark and inky in the glass. Quite 'old school' aromas of plum, sweet, dusty oak, blackberry and a lick of eucalyptus. Full, rich and slurpy on the palate, full of dark fruits, sappy oak, spice and dark chocolate. Decent structure, length and mouth-feel. [...] 2023-2033

93 POINTS

Review by: Andrew Caillard MW, The Vintage Journal

91 POINTS

Review by: Jeni Port, Wine Pilot

Some serious flavour depth right here. Exudes a powerful mix of plush black fruits and integrated oak with a pleasant side bar of savouriness. Bethanian is a single vineyard and it's clear why it has been singled out. Its pleasure quotient is high. Australian bush scents mix with blackberry, dark chocolate, earth and warm, smoky salami. Barossa Shiraz doesn't mind some time in oak. Here, it sees 18 months in new and seasoned French and American oak. The effect is warmly accepted and nicely resolved, bringing added spiciness and generosity. Smart winemaking ties everything together. A notable tannin presence enhances, brightens the plush fruits, brings integrated structure and contributes added freshness.

93 POINTS

Review by: Ray Jordan, Wine Pilot

This is a wine that exhibits a distinctive subregional character from this area near the village of Bethany. It's savoury with an earthy dark plummy fruit character. Smooth and seamlessly structured with firm though fine tannins and ample oak to balance and support. Nice mix of liqueured fruit and dark chocolate add to the layered complexity on the palate.

92 POINTS

Review by: Angus Hughson, Vinous

This 2021 Shiraz The Chateau Single Vineyard Bethanian is a hearty, full-flavored Barossan with great character and personality. It jumps out of the blocks with strong blackberry and licorice aromas lifted significantly by layers of asphalt and coal fire, adding savory appeal. A good volume of fruit is carried on a mid-weight frame, with fine yet sturdy tannins providing attractive definition to the finish.



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