



ICON OF THE BAROSSA

# '50 Year Old Vines' Shiraz 2014

## Heritage

Chateau Tanunda was established in 1890 and is the site of some of the first vines planted in the Barossa in the 1840s as well as one of the Valley's first wineries. The 'Old Vines' series is all about showcasing the significant history and special wine characteristics and of a selection of old vine vineyards for which the Barossa valley is world famous. The Barossa Old Vines Charter was instituted to register vineyards by age, so that older vines could be preserved, retained and promoted.

## Vineyard

The grapes from this wine come from just two small vineyards in the Nuriootpa and Vine Vale sub-regions of the Barossa. These low-yielding "Barossa Old Vines" were planted between 1960 and 1961 and are now fully mature. They have a root structure and trunk thickness that encourage diversity of flavor and character. Their worthiness has been proven over many vintages, consistently producing the highest quality fruit.

## Winemaking

The grapes are destemmed, but not crushed, and spend seven days on their skins in open fermenters with twice daily hand-plunging and pumping over of the cap to more gently extract colour, flavours and tannins.

This is followed by careful basket pressing and malolactic fermentation in a combination of new and seasoned American and French oak prior to 24 months maturation in our cellars.

In keeping with our non-interventionalist winemaking style we neither fine nor filter this wine.

**Production:** 3,200 bottles

## Tasting Note:

*Medium to deep crimson/purple. Powerfully intense aniseed, blackberry, mulberry and blueberry fruit aromas, with ginger, mint notes. Vigorous and fleshy with generous blueberry, blackberry flavors, excellent mid-palate richness and plentiful brambly-chocolatey tannins.*

Alc/Vol:	14.5%	Closure:	Cork
TA:	6.54 g/l	Maturation:	24 Months new and seasoned French and American Oak
RS:	>2 g/l	Potential Cellaring:	10-15 Years
pH	3.48	Winemaker:	Neville Rowe



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**Score: PREMIUM GOLD MEDAL**

**Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2017**

**Score: 91 POINTS**

**Review by: Decanter World Wine Awards 2017**

**Score: MASTERS TROPHY AND TOP SCORING WINE OF SHOW**

**Review by: Drinks Business, Global Syrah Masters 2017**

**Score: 95 POINTS**

**Review by: James Halliday, Wine Companion 2018**

This is a limited release drawn from old, low yielding vines. A vinous thrust of dark fruit flavours and Christmas cake spice is contrasted against the parry of generous oak and granular, bitter chocolate tannins. A shade of light in the form of tangy red fruits linger on a pulsating finish. NG Drink By:2035

**Score: GOLD MEDAL**

**Review by: China Wine and Spirits Awards 2017**

**Score: 92 POINTS**

**Review by: Josh Raynolds, Vinous**

Opaque ruby. Heady dark berry liqueur, licorice pastille and violet aromas; allspice and vanilla nuances build in the background by a core of juicy acidity. Plays richness off energy with a sure hand and finishes impressively long, smooth and gently tannic, leaving a sappy blue fruit note behind.

**Score: 90 POINTS**

**Review by: Christina Pickard, Wine Enthusiast**

This is classic Barossa from a historic estate that was restored back to its original grandeur 20 years ago by the Geber family. It is an earthy brambly dense wine with brambly red berries, sun-drenched plums, chocolate and an earthy dusty oak spice. Plush and fleshy with savory tannins, you could drink this now with protein or wait up to twenty years to watch it blossom.

