



ICON OF THE BAROSSA

# '50 Year Old Vines' Shiraz 2016

## 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 showcases the significant history and special wine characteristics 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, Marananga and Vine Vale parishes of the Barossa. The Nuriootpa vineyard lies on sandy loams and alluvial clays, Marananga on deep red brown earth, while the Vine Vale vineyard is on very deep sand soils over clay. 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 hand-plunging twice daily 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.

## 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.

**Gold Medal**- Berlin Wine Trophy 2019

**96 Points** - Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)

**95 Points** - Huon Hooke (The Real Review)

**Gold Medal** - China Wine and Spirits Awards 2019



alc/Vol:	15%	Closure:	Cork
TA:	6.2 g/l	Maturation:	24 Months new and seasoned French and American Oak (15% New)
RS:	<5 g/l	Peak Drinking:	2020-2030
pH	3.44	Winemaker:	Neville Rowe

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**Score: 95 POINTS**

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

Good depth of bright red/purple colour. Rich, spicy black plum bouquet, the palate lavish, full-bodied and spicy with a light sprinkling of oak. It's very full-bodied, rich, deep and concentrated, with lovely flavour and balance. Tannins are ample and supple. Sweetly ripe, almost decadent, flavour.  
Drink 2019 to 2034

**Score: GOLD MEDAL**

**Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2019**

**Score: 96 POINTS**

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

This is stunning; the richly expressed bouquet shows blackberry, dark plum, vanillin oak, cocoa and toasted spice characters, followed by a sumptuous palate that is superbly weighted and expansive. It is powerfully graceful, loaded with delicious flavours. At its best: now to 2030. AU\$75.00.

**Score: GOLD MEDAL**

**Review by: China Wine and Spirits Awards 2019**

**Score: SILVER MEDAL**

**Review by: Global Syrah Masters 2019**

**Score: 93 POINTS**

**Review by: James Halliday, Halliday Wine Companion 2021**

... 24 months in French oak, 1100 dozen made. Densely textured black fruits, licorice, chocolate-dipped preserved fruits. Drink by 2032



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