



The Château

100 YEAR OLD VINES SHIRAZ

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 an Australian heritage icon and its grand buildings, magnificent gardens and vineyards are owned by the Geber family who continue the century old tradition of fine wine making.

Vineyards

The Barossa is home to some of the world's oldest ungrafted Shiraz vines and the grapes for this wine come vineyards in the Eden Valley, Lyndoch, Nuriootpa sub regions of the Barossa. The low-yielding "Centenarian" vines were planted more than a century ago around the time construction of the Château itself began.

Winemaking

Made from the grapes of vines that are over 100 years old. Hand-picked, basket-pressed and unfiltered, the gentle unobtrusive winemaking has captured the subtle and intriguing characters of these centenarian Shiraz vines. The grapes were destalked and placed uncrushed into small stainless steel open fermenters. A cultured yeast was used to start the fermentation and the tanks were hand plunged spending 15 days on skins at 28° C. Further maturation in a combination of American and French oak hogsheads and barriques for 22 months has resulted in a wine of great structure and finesse.

Tasting Note

The classic regional characters of dense, spicy blueberry fruit along with hints of liquorice, plum and all-spice are all delicately interwoven.

Winemaker	Stuart Bourne
Alc	14%
pH	3.38
TA	7.31g/L
RS	3.1g/L
Vine Age	Over 100 years
Fermentation	Stainless steel
Maturation	American and French Oak
Maturation time	22 months
Bottled	Unfiltered
Bottled Under	Cork
Cellar	12 - 15 years

VINTAGE

2013





PREMIUM GOLD MEDAL

Review by: Berlin Wine Trophy 2015

Score: 96 POINTS

Review by: Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com

Deep, rich, red/purple colour. Smoky toasty and black plum savoury bouquet, with hints of chocolate, soy sauce, black olive, tapenade, etc. It's very rich, dense, fleshy and concentrated. Great texture and softness, with superb depth and effortless length. Superb - even elegant - wine.

GOLD MEDAL

Review by: International Wine Challenge

Score: 95+ POINTS

Review by: Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

Can't recall tasting a better Shiraz from Chateau Tanunda. Well done toast smeared with plum and dark cherry jam, shake of pepper and spice, chocolate, mint, vanilla and olive tapanade. Medium to full bodied, dark fruited and dark chocolate, but with a serious more savoury side too. Combines fruit weight and depth without the heaviness and plodding burden of many a Barossa red, and offers chewy tannin and even acidity to keep it trim. Glimmers of raspberry and vanilla nougat bob up on a rugged, but well controlled finish of excellent length. And it's the length that marks it out as a special wine, I reckon.

Score: 91+ POINTS

Review by: Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW, Wine Spectator

Medium to deep garnet-purple in color, the 2013 The Chateau 100 Year Old Vines Shiraz offers a gorgeous nose of baked blackberries, black cherry coulis and licorice with chocolate box and baking spice accents. Medium to full-bodied with plenty of black berry preserves and spice flavors, it has velvety tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and multilayered.
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