

THE CHÂTEAU SINGLE VINEYARD GRENACHE 2022

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

Hand-picked from select rows of the Hueppauff family vineyard neighbouring the Château.

Winemaking

The grapes are partially destemmed with 60% separated for whole bunch fermentation before primary ferment. This was followed by careful basket pressing before 12 months maturation in seasoned French oak puncheons in our cellar.

Tasting Note

Raspberry, red currant and white pepper spice aromas lead to enticing dark berries and cherry. Medium-bodied with delicate tannin and crunchy acidity culminate in a seamless finish



Alc/Vol: 14.5 % Soil Type: Sandy Loam over red clay

TA: 6.6 g/l Maturation: 12 Months French Oak

RS: >0.5 g/l Peak Drinking: 2024-2034

pH: 3.4 Winemaker: Jeremy Ottawa

Production: 1000 dozen





Awards

94 Points - Ken Gargett, Wine Pilot

The fruit here was harvested from specially selected rows in the Hueppauff vineyard (which is apparently pronounced as hip-off, as if you didn't know), which is located next to Chateau Tanunda. Fermentation includes partial whole bunches and then a year's maturation in older French oak puncheons. Grenache is the hot flavour of the month for a very good reason. 2,000 cases.

The colour here is a blood red/garnet. Classic Grenache and utterly delicious. A fine example to show anyone keen to see what a good Grenache is like. Strawberries, cherries, warm earth, florals and red fruits. A little chocolate. A juicy palate with silky tannins. This is bright and energetic with very good length. A good future here, at least ten to twelve years of pleasure.

93 Points - Dave Brookes, Halliday Wine Companion

Barossa Valley grenache, partial whole-bunch and 12 months maturation in old French oak puncheons. Light crimson with ginger spiced red and dark plum fruits with hints of dried meats, jasmine and orange blossom, dried citrus fruits, earth and licorice. Medium-bodied with fine, sandy tannins and a bright disposition finishing savoury and spicy with a plume of pure red fruits. Great drinking.

91 Points - James Suckling

Wild and pretty red showing sliced strawberries, pomegranates, white pepper and roasted herbs on the nose. It's juicy and lively, with a medium to full body and a peppery finish. Drink now or hold.

91 Points - Angus Hughson, Vinous

This 2022 Grenache jumps out of the blocks with its perfumed cranberry and raspberry aromas plus a dusting of dried herbs from some whole bunch ferments. Bit of tension to follow, the stalky influences quite strong before dark cherry and spicy flavours join the party. Holds its shape to finish well so should hold for a while.

91 Points - Stuart Knox, The Real Review

Light ruby glints in the glass. Raspberry, crushed violet and agave aromatics. Mouth-filling blue fruits immediately drawn your attention then agave and dark loam savouries balance that fruit intensity. Tannins work in the background, controlling the flow and it rolls long. Loses some focus just at the finish.

90 Points - Jeni Port, Wine Pilot

How good is it to see Grenache having a moment? Working its way back into the drinker's good books has also taken Barossa Grenache into new territory: less heavy and high alcoholed and more lively and expressive. Try this super aromatic and peppery embodiment of the grape and try not to be impressed. Black pepper, lavender florals, maraschino cherry, plum, vanilla, juniper aromas – it's chockful of Grenache good stuff. Lingers and entices as it sets about on a lively trip across the tastebuds, peppery with a touch of eucalypt leaf amid red and black berries, vanilla and light confection notes. Offers good depth of flavour in tune with lively, fine tannins.

Gold Medal - Berlin Wine Trophy 2024

Silver Medal, 94 Points - Barossa Wine Show 2023





