

# 2018 Shiraz



## Tasting Notes

### Vintage

2018

### Variety

Shiraz

### Region

Yarra Valley

### Colour

Deep red with a tint of purple

### Bouquet

Juicy plum, blackberry, cracked pepper and vanilla

### Palate

Medium-bodied, spicy, dark berry with graphite tannin

### Cellaring

2020 – 2028

### Food matches

Garlicky Toulouse sausages and black olives

### Vintage conditions

2018 was a vintage of two halves a cool and relatively moist winter and spring, thereafter conditions were exceptionally dry through to the conclusion of vintage.

### Vinification

Sourced from the Thousand Candles vineyard in Gruyere, 35% whole-bunches and 65% whole berries. Fermented (100% wild) in large-format, oak fermenters, five days cold soak and gentle handling (pump overs only). 15 months élevage in French oak barriques (12% new), then a further six months in large-format foudré.

### Final Alcohol

14.0%

### Barrel Maturation

21 months



## Awards History

### 2017 Vintage

92 Points Huon Hooke

### 2016 Vintage

90 Points Jeremy Oliver, 93 Points Andrew Graham Oz Wine Review, 93 Points Mike Bennie Wine Business Monthly

### 2015 Vintage

93 Points Jane Faulkner Halliday Wine Companion, 93 Points Andrew Graham Oz Wine Review