

# BLACKSMITH CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### STORY BEHIND THE WINE

In 1842 a 32-year-old Blacksmith, Christian Auricht, arrived from Prussia with his wife and four children. He settled in the new village of Langmeil and established a forge in what was to become a thriving trading post. His original smithy remains to this day and is a feature of the winery's heritage setting.

### THE WINERY

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## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

#### 2018 VINTAGE REPORT

Plentiful winter rains gave the vines a healthy start to the 2018 growing season. A warmer and drier than average spring hurried things along and early estimates indicated above average bunch numbers in most varieties. Late spring and early summer were relatively mild, resulting in good flowering and fruit set. However, dry conditions continued and both berry size (lowering actual yield) and shoot length were somewhat diminished. Several heat spikes in late January and early February (it's not a South Australian summer if you don't have a couple!) interrupted veraison, with the picking of some of our earlier ripening vineyards delayed until the beginning of March (later than expected). Perfect, mild ripening weather followed to the end of April ensuring all Eden Valley parcels achieved full flavour ripeness slightly earlier than forecast.

Despite a later than anticipated start and an earlier than usual finish, the compressed harvest produced wines of deep colour, flavour and balance across the board.

Another ripper Barossa vintage!

## Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker

Colour: Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.

**Aroma:** A rich and lifted nose of blueberry, blackcurrant and black olive, with a hint of cedar, liquorice and sweet spices adding to the complexity.

**Palate:** Bright and rich berry fruits coat the palate and combine with with brambly spice, hints of black olive and liquorice. Full-bodied with velvety, fine-grained tannins adding to the structure which flows through the long, fruity and spicy finish.

Cellaring: 2020 - 2030



# **VINTAGE** 2018

**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN** Australia

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION Barossa

**GRAPE COMPOSITION** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

OAK TREATMENT 15% new French and 85% seasoned French oak.

**TIME IN OAK** 20 Months

VINE AGE 15 to 59-year-old vines

#### SUB REGIONAL SOURCE Nine individual Barossa parishes

**YIELD PER ACRE** 1.5 – 3 tonnes per acre

**TRELLISING** Mostly single and double permanent arm

SOIL TYPE Ranges from Biscay

Ranges from Biscay (black cracking clay) to red clay over limestone

HARVEST DETAILS 9 March to 19 Apr

**TECHNICAL ANALYSIS** Alcohol: 14.5% pH: 3.45 TA: 7.11g/L Residual Sugar: 2.4g/L VA: 0.55g/L

### FOOD MATCH

Mushroom risotto; braised beef ribs or beef cheeks; duck; hard cheeses.

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# HALLOWED GROUND SHIRAZ

### STORY BEHIND THE WINE

The Barossa is blessed with one of the most diverse and unique landscapes of any fine wine region in the world. It is this Hallowed Ground which is fundamental to the Barossa's premium pedigree and rarefied reputation for grape growing and winemaking of the highest quality.

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# WINEMAKER'S NOTES

### 2017 VINTAGE REPORT

The Barossa experienced a wetter and cooler (2°C) than average winter and spring with good soil moisture levels. Vines grew slowly but healthily, mostly flowering well and setting a good number of bunches. Temperatures were below average in December and January with few heat spikes and rains of 40mm spread evenly over four events kept the vines healthy with unhurried veraison. The 30-40mm summer rain of 4-6 February was followed by windy conditions and four consecutive 37°C days which helped dry out the canopies and prevented berry split. Additionally, soil moisture levels were topped-up, maintaining the canopies during a cooler than average summer. The rest of February remained dry, and a warm March (average maximum temperature 28°C) saw the beginning of an Indian Summer which lasted until the third week of April with above average temperatures (2.5°C). Perfect grape ripening weather with balanced sugars, colours and natural acidity. These conditions resulted in a later harvest, some three to four weeks, than recent years, which was a return to 'normal'. The delayed harvest allowed grapes to ripen more slowly and evenly with a gradual accumulation of sugars and flavours, which is what we look for when making high-quality Barossa wines. The yields were around 20 - 30% higher than the five-year average. Eden Valley Riesling is predicted to be a stand-out this year and another fantastic year for Barossa Valley Shiraz which promises to deliver an array of styles from bright and aromatic wines from the earlier-picked vineyards through to concentrated, intense and well-structured wines.

### Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker.

Colour: Medium to deep crimson with purple hues.

**Aroma:** A rich and inviting bouquet of Satsuma plum, violet and roasted notes with hints of dough, liquorice and eucalypt.

**Palate:** A mouth-filling and chewy palate with plenty of sweet plummy fruit to balance the fine-grained tannins. Hints of liquorice and blueberry flow through the long, silky and sweet spiced finish.

Cellaring: 2019-2031.



# **VINTAGE** 2017

**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN** Australia

## GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION

Barossa (73% Barossa Valley / 27% Eden Valley)

**GRAPE COMPOSITION** 100% Shiraz

OAK TREATMENT 36% new and 64% seasoned French oak hogsheads

**TIME IN OAK** 24 months

**VINE AGE** 4 to 28-year-old vines

**SUB REGIONAL SOURCE** Lyndoch, Tanunda and Eden Valley

**YIELD PER ACRE** 1–2 tonnes per acre

**TRELLISING** Mostly single and double wire, rod and spur

### SOIL TYPE

Red clay over limestone and ironstone, sand over red clay and grey sandy loam.

HARVEST DETAILS 10 March - 18 April

**TECHNICAL ANALYSIS** Alcohol: 15% pH: 3.45 TA: 6.97g/L Residual Sugar: 2.5g/L VA: 0.58g/L

**FOOD MATCH** Lamb shanks; grilled beef steak; kangaroo; strong, hard, mature cheeses

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# 2018 BIRTHRIGHT SHIRAZ

# STORY BEHIND THE WINE

At their heart, the world's greatest wine regions have intrinsic qualities which can neither be bought nor earned. They fashion wines reflective of their unique terroir, forged by the elemental forces of nature, unassailable and unforgettable. Such is the Birthright of the Barossa.

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## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

## 2018 VINTAGE REPORT

After a wet winter, spring was warmer and drier than average. Late spring and early summer were relatively mild, resulting in good flowering and fruit set. There were several heat spikes in mid to late summer, but then a perfect Autumn followed with favourable ripening conditions. Despite a later start and an earlier finish, the compressed harvest produced wines of deep colour, flavour and impeccable balance.

## Colour: Medium depth crimson.

*Aroma:* A rich bouquet of red and blue fruits, herbs and cedar, entwine with hints of sage, roasted and savoury notes.

**Palate:** Rich and juicy raspberry and Satsuma plum fill the mouth, with allspice sweetness adding to the mouthfeel. The fruit is well balanced with hints of briary spice and textural, fine-grained tannins on the lengthy finish.

Cellaring: 2020-2035

*Food match: Medium rare T bone; Roast lamb or lamb backstrap; Roast duck.* 

Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker



GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION Barossa

GRAPE COMPOSITION 100% Shiraz

OAK TREATMENT 47% new and 53% seasoned French oak hogsheads

TIME IN OAK Twenty five months

**VINE AGE** *Average age 80+ years* 

## **SUB REGIONAL SOURCE** 87% Barossa Valley and 13% Eden Valley

YIELD PER ACRE

1-2 tonnes per acre

## TRELLISING

*Mostly single wire permanent arm and rod and spur* 

## SOIL TYPE

Barossa Valley - red clay over limestone and ironstone Eden Valley - decomposed granite and sandy loam

HARVEST DETAILS 14 March to 10 April

## TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 15% pH: 3.39 TA: 6.9g/L Residual Sugar: 2.5g/L VA: 0.59g/L