

## Yalumba

# Rare & Fine

## THE SIGNATURE CABERNET SAUVIGNON & SHIRAZ 2016

Each vintage of The Signature is named in honour of an individual who has made a significant contribution to the culture and traditions of Yalumba. It is with great pleasure we present our 2016 vintage to Louisa Rose. Named Australian Winemaker of the Year in 2008 by Gourmet Traveller WINE, Louisa has built a reputation with white wine, especially Riesling and Viognier from our valued Eden Valley vineyards. She is a celebrated champion of these varietals across the wine world.



#### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A moderate winter led into a warm, dry spring giving a somewhat sedate start to the growing season. This weather continued into summer until the end of January when 25mm of rain fell. The rain was welcomed and gave the vines the drink they needed to finish off ripening the grapes. The warm days during summer and autumn were mediated by cool nights, leading to great concentration and length of flavour.

### TERROIR/PROVENANCE/REGION

The majority of the Cabernet Sauvignon components were sourced from four vineyards in the Barossa Valley. The diversity of our vineyard selection provides the rich, lifted Cabernet Sauvignon aromatics and palate structure for which The Signature is renowned. The Shiraz components include plantings of varying vine age, the oldest were planted in 1925. These blocks are of sandy loam, featuring yellow sand and ochre clay over red clay. The combination of these Barossa blocks provides a Shiraz with sweetness, fullness, depth and layers of complexity.

A small note on corks. At Yalumba we remain fervent supporters of high grade cork closures. We acknowledge that cork is a natural product and subject to variation, so please contact us directly - info@yalumba.com - should you experience any unfavourable cork influence on this fine wine.

#### TASTING NOTES

A very deep, dense, red in colour. Aromas of red currants, perfumed cedar and complex, savoury, dried herbs. This Cabernet Shiraz blend shows precise aromatics and is classically rich through the middle palate with exotic florals, cranberry complexity and dark chocolate. A full-bodied wine complemented with a long, flowing, precise tannin profile. A wine that truly reflects the generosity and refinement of the 2016 vintage. Very stylish.

## FOOD PAIRING

Enjoy with beef tenderloin and blackberry dressing, or mushroom bourguignon.

WINEMAKER	Kevin Glastonbury
HARVESTED	16 February - 17 March 2016
REGION	53% Barossa Cabernet Sauvignon 47% Barossa Shiraz
TOTAL ACIDITY	6.6 g/L
PH	3.53
SO2	121 mg/L
ALCOHOL	14.5%
TREATMENT	Matured for 21 months in 28% new French barriques, Hungarian and American hogsheads, balance in older French, Hungarian and American barriques and hogsheads.
CELLARING	Enjoyable now or will cellar for 15+ years.







