

2021 GIBSON THE DIRTMAN SHIRAZ

STORY

A nickname that has stuck since his early days at Australia's original wine finishing school, Roseworthy College, 'The Dirtman' is indeed, Rob Gibson. The connection to dirt runs deep with Rob who, along with formalised training in both viticulture and winemaking, is also a geologist.

Our Dirtman Shiraz is a blend of both Eden Valley and Barossa floor fruit. The two regions are distinctively different in terms of both climate and dirt. Bringing them together allows us to craft a wine that celebrates classic Barossa Shiraz generosity and plushness, with a backbone of finesse for aging.

Matured in new and matured American and French oak, lifted aromas of stone fruit and spice prevail, overlaid with nuances of smoky oak and blackcurrant.

VINTAGE NOTES

Early temperatures in October and November were below average leading to slow development. Cool dry ripening conditions, later combined with lower yields, led to good varietal expression in Shiraz. The tendency was for slightly lower alcohol and stylish elegance.

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Deep opaque red with purple hue.

Aroma: Lifted stone fruit and spice characters on the nose with interesting notes of smoky oak and blackcurrant.

Palate: The palate is lively, well balanced, medium weight, soft, round and fruit driven. The finish is harmonious and long, leaving spicy dark chocolate and stone-fruit flavours lingering on the palate.

TECHNICAL

Varietal composition: 100% Shiraz

Region/s: Barossa Valley & Eden Valley

Maturation type: 18 months in new and matured American and French oak hogsheads.

Alc/Vol: 14.3%

TA: 6.0 g/L

pH: 3.54

