

2017

THE GOSLING SHIRAZ



Technical Notes

Varietal composition:	100% Shiraz,
Region (GI):	Estate grown Marananga, Barossa Valley
Winemaker:	Matt Reynolds
Alcohol:	15% alc/vol
pH:	3.61
TA:	5.7g/L
Residual Sugar:	0.63g/L
Bottled:	27 August 2018

Vintage Conditions

2017 vintage was set by a near perfect growing season with a long-awaited wet winter with rainfall well above the long-term average. With one of the wettest spring seasons on record, this minimised the risk of frost damage. Cooler than average spring and summer temperatures ensured a long, slow growing season allowing intense flavour development and retention of natural grape acidity. Harvest was two weeks later than normal as a result of late January and early February rainfall.

Vineyard Selection

The Gosling Shiraz sourced from several blocks within the Schubert Estate vineyard located in the sub-region of Marananga in the Barossa Valley.

Winemaking

The Shiraz grapes are hand-picked, destemmed and fermented in 5 tonne open top fermenters with twice daily pump-overs to achieve maximum extraction of colour, flavour and tannin. At the completion of fermentation, the wine is basket pressed with free-run and pressings wine combined and filled to neutral French oak 225L barriques for a maturation period of 18 months before careful barrel selection and blending before bottling.

Tasting Evaluation

Colour: Deep violet core with a ruby rim.

Aroma: Intense aromas of blackberry, dark plum, liquorice, layered with subtle hints of clove, nutmeg, cinnamon and dark chocolate.

Palate: Rich, textured flavours of blackcurrant, boysenberry, black olive tapenade, and plum sauce are complimented with savoury notes of black pepper, and cured meats. A fine acid line and dusty cedar oak tannins give focus and structure.

This wine has all of the traits that has made the Marananga one of the most sought-after appellations in the Barossa Valley.



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