

## 2015 GIANT STEPS TARRAFORD VINEYARD SYRAH

### Review Summary



**97 pts/TOP 100 WINES 2016** “Full, rich crimson-purple; the 27yo vines are in full flower, this joining a distinguished band of Yarra Valley shirazes of the highest quality from vines planted in the ‘70s and ‘80s. It is full-bodied in the best sense, simply thanks to the intensity of the black fruit, spice, pepper and licorice symphony of flavors. I will have been gone for generations before this wine calls time.”

**James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion**  
2016

**96 pts/Top 100 New Release Wines** “Deep red-purple color and lifted floral perfume suggests violet and root vegetable; a textbook cool-climate shiraz. Intense, powerful, punchy palate with white pepper galore. The aftertaste is very long. Finely structured and full of charm.”

**Huon Hooke, Gourmet Traveller WINE**  
February/March 2017

**94+ pts** “Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2015 Tarraford Vineyard Syrah is a great example of a beautiful cooler climate Aussie Syrah. It opens with a gorgeous nose of violets and peppercorns over a core of red and black currants, with a slight herbal/stemmy undercurrent plus notes of wild blueberries and black raspberries. Medium-bodied with ripe, rounded tannins, the lively palate has a lovely earthy character and it is elegantly understated.”

**Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Robert Parker Wine Advocate**  
October 2016

**92 pts** “This exotic version offers sandalwood, chai tea and dried rose petal aromatics, with a core of chunky plum and black cherry flavors. The tannins are dense but polished.”

**MaryAnn Worobiec, Wine Spectator**  
June 30, 2017

**GOLD MEDAL**

**Yarra Valley Wine Show 2016**