

## 2015 JOHN DUVAL ANNEXUS

WINEMAKER: John Duval  
 REGION: Barossa, South Australia  
 VARIETALS: Grenache  
 MATURATION: 100% in older French oak hogsheads (300L) for 12 months  
 ALCOHOL: 14.0% alc/vol | TA: 6.1 g/L | pH: 3.48

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### VINTAGE NOTES:

The 2015 vintage started with a warmer than usual spring followed by early, but even, flowering and fruit-set. Frost, particularly in the Northern Barossa reduced yields however the conditions during fruit ripening were pleasingly mild and dry with rain in mid-January bringing some welcome relief. Grenache was picked on 16th from the Northern Barossa and the 25th of March from Eden Valley.

### WINEMAKING NOTES:

The 2015 Annexus Grenache was hand-picked from two very old, low yielding Barossa Vineyards, one over 150 years old plus. Fermentation took place in small, open top fermenters incorporating a small amount of whole bunches. The wine then matured for 12 months in 100% seasoned French oak hogsheads.

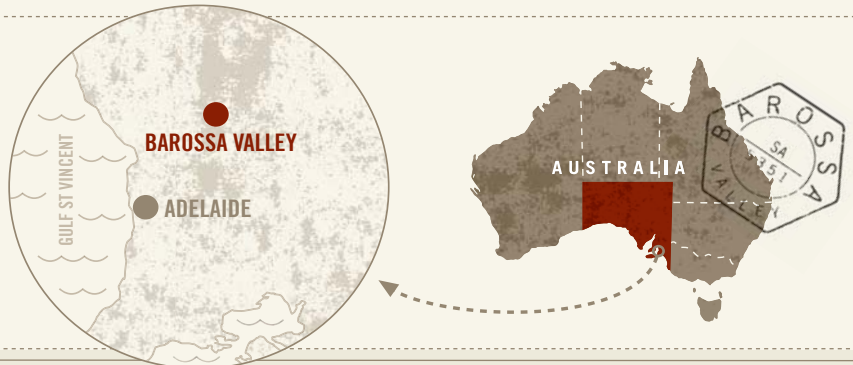
### TASTING NOTES:

The 2015 Annexus is vibrant purple-red in color. The nose reveals vibrant red fruit aromatics complexed by red roses and savory spice. The palate is fine and long, delicate yet carrying impressive purity and flavor intensity. An array of ripe red fruits, dark cherry and raspberry fill the palate finishing with hints of clove, dusty earth and velvety tannins.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 94+ pts The Wine Advocate, 92 pts Wine Spectator, 92 pts Wine Enthusiast, 90 pts JamesSuckling.com

### ABOUT JOHN DUVAL WINES:

John Duval is one of Australia's most highly-regarded winemakers. As Chief Winemaker and custodian of Australia's famous Grange, he was instrumental in establishing Penfolds as one of the world's great wineries. Inspired by the Barossa Valley's old vine vineyards, John established his own label in 2002 and now crafts intense, focused wines that are as distinctive as the region's diverse terroir.



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