









2015 JOHN DUVAL ENTITY SHIRAZ

WINEMAKER: John Duval

R E G I O N: Barossa, South Australia

VARIETALS: Shiraz

MATURATION: 15 months in 100% French oak hogsheads (35% new)

ANALYSIS: 14.5% alc/vol | 6.30 g/L TA | 3.51 pH

ENTITY: An independent, separate, or self-contained existence

VINTAGE NOTES:

After good winter and early spring rains the soil profiles were generally full, but a combination of a windy spring with northern Barossa frosts reduced the production for some vineyards. A dry late spring and hot start to summer was brought to a halt on Valentine's day by significant rain and then cooler conditions for the remainder of vintage.

WINEMAKING:

The Shiraz was sourced from old vineyards in the Krondorf, Light Pass, Ebenezer and Eden Valley regions. Fermentation with submerged cap took place in small open stainless steel fermenters. 35% of the wine was then barrel matured for 15 months in new fine grain French oak hogsheads (300 liters) and the balance in two, three and four-year-old hogsheads.

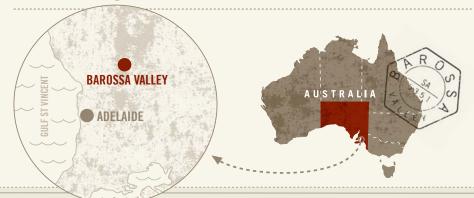
TASTING NOTES:

Lifted notes of violets, dark berries and plum, enhanced by cocoa powder and savory, spicy French oak. The palate is rich yet tightly packed with an array of concentrated dark fruits. The layered fruit is supported by enlivening acidity and fine, very long tannins which will enable ample cellaring potential.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 93 pts Wine & Spirits, 92 pts Robert Parker Wine Advocate, 91 pts Wine Spectator

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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