

# 2015 INNOCENT BYSTANDER SYRAH

## Review Summary



### **97 pts/GOLD MEDAL/Champion Wine of Show**

Yarra Valley Wine Show 2016

**95 pts** “Serial winner, vintage by vintage, of show awards, this winning gold at the Yarra Valley Wine Show ‘16, matured in French oak. It has very good hue and depth, it gets your attention from the first whiff, the first sip. The black fruits have special texture and structure, demanding you take the next mouthful before you have finished the first, the tannins also add to both flavor (spicy) and texture (fine, persistent). Great value.”

James Halliday, *Australian Wine Companion*  
2018

**91 pts/BEST BUY/Year’s Best Australian Shiraz** “This is an earthy Yarra wine that’s beautiful in its informality, from the scents of horse stable and game to the high-toned mace-like scent that brings to mind Mediterranean roasted eggplant, or shawarma. How often do you find a wine that would stand next to shawarma? This one is tight and meaty, with lasting spice.”

Joshua Greene, *Wine & Spirits Magazine*  
October 2017

**90 pts** “This is a heady ultraperfumed Shiraz that lovers of lighter reds like Pinot or Gamay might actually dig more than traditional Shiraz fans. It bursts out of the glass with notes of cinnamon, cardamom, bright red fruit, violets and cracked black pepper. The palate offers an earthy and stalky core, lifted acidity and a silky texture.”

Christina Pickard, *Wine Enthusiast*  
August 2018

**GOLD MEDAL**

TEXSOM International Wine Awards 2017