

2016 GREG NORMAN ESTATES LIMESTONE COAST SHIRAZ



WINEMAKER: Andrew Hales
REGION: Limestone Coast, South Australia
VARIETALS: Shiraz
MATURATION: 10 months in seasoned French oak and stainless steel
ANALYSIS: 14.5% alc/vol | 6.8 g/L TA | 3.43 pH

VINTAGE: 2016 was a long vintage in the Limestone Coast. The vineyards benefitted from the replenished soil moisture which sustained the vines during the hot summer. From mid-March to early May, moderate, warm days and cool nights provided ideal conditions for slow ripening and the development of Shiraz grapes with deep color, outstanding flavor intensity and ripe, regionally distinctive tannins.

WINEMAKING: The fruit was harvested in the early morning and transported to the winery where the Shiraz vineyard parcels were kept separate until final blending. The fruit was gently destemmed followed by fermentation in stainless-steel, open-top tanks for five to ten days before being pressed off into smaller steel tanks and oak barrels to complete malolactic fermentation. After 10 months of maturation, the best lots were selected and blended prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES: Bright and vivid aromas of ripe blackberry, plum and holiday spice intermingle on the nose. The full-bodied palate shows layers of cola, black cherry, mixed berry jam and clove characters. The wine is juicy and plush with a firm structure, ripe fruit and balanced acidity.

ABOUT GREG NORMAN ESTATES: Greg Norman, known as much for his entrepreneurial spirit in the boardroom as his dominance on the golf course, is arguably the most successful athlete-turned-businessman. His unyielding approach to both golf and life earned him the nickname, The Great White Shark. Created from a family passion and strengthened by determination, Greg Norman Estates, founded in 1996, is a collection of fine wines sourced from stunning wine regions in California, New Zealand, and Greg's homeland of Australia. The selected growing regions are appreciated for the incredible wines they produce and the personal influence they have had on the Norman family over Greg's many years professionally touring the world. A strong believer in the role of wine as part of an active, easygoing lifestyle, Greg's aim is to produce approachable yet bold wines to be enjoyed by family, fans and wine enthusiasts alike.

