



THE  
WILLOWS  
VINEYARD



## 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

*The Willows has been our home since 1845, when 'JG' Scholz first arrived in the Barossa. Seven generations on, we continue to farm our unique parcel of land in the Barossa.*

### **Variety**

100% Cabernet Sauvignon -Single Block  
Light Pass Barossa Valley

### **Vineyard**

Planted in 1968 by 5<sup>th</sup> generation W.H `Bert` Scholz. The Cabernet block is grown over deep alluvial soil in a loop of the North Para river. Shaded by eucalypts, with cool gully breezes that follow the river down from the hills.

### **Vintage**

The 2015-16 growing season yielded a warm, dry Spring with good conditions for flowering and fruit set. Generally mild conditions throughout late Jan/Feb along with fortuitous summer rains resulted in slow, even ripening with dense colours and vibrant flavours. A high quality vintage, that produced generous yields.

### **Winemaking**

Destemmed and fermented to dryness. 12 days on skins. Basket pressed to tank. Upon completion of MLF, transferred to barrel for 24 months in French oak hogsheads.

### **Tasting Notes**

Deep crimson red, the wine shows beautifully lifted aromatics of blackcurrant, spiced cherry and mint chocolate. The palate delivers weight and fruit generosity with savoury spice adding further depth and complexity. The wines silky texture and chalky tannin gives the wine an age worthy framework. Generosity of primary fruit gives the wine immediate drinking appeal, while its complexity and depth in structure will reward those with patience.