



THE
WILLOWS
VINEYARD

2018 Shiraz

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 Valley.

Variety

100% Shiraz – Light Pass, Barossa Valley

Vineyard

Our Estate Shiraz fruit is sourced from 2-3 different Shiraz blocks across our vineyard. The difference in soil type, clone, micro-climate and management between each block helps build complexity in the final blend. Vine age varies from 16-52 years. Soils vary but are predominantly sandy loam over red clay.

Vintage

A vintage with outstanding quality fruit. The 2017/18 growing season yielded a warm, dry spring following the good rains of winter, setting up beautiful conditions for flowering and fruit set. These warm, dry conditions continued thru Jan & Feb, and were followed by a mild Indian Summer during March & early April.

Winemaking

Destemmed and fermented to dryness. 8 days total on skins. Basket pressed to tank. Upon completion of MLF transferred to barrel for 24 months in French and American Oak hogsheads.

Tasting Notes

Dense crimson in the glass, our Shiraz shows aromatics of berry fruits, a touch of dark chocolate and earth with hints of sweet spice. Soft and velvety on the palate, the dark fruits intensify to reveal great depth of flavour. The wines generosity is neatly framed with soft, ripe tannins that lend great length and structure to the wine.

`Impressively ripe and gorgeously composed, the fragrant bouquet shows blackberry, warm spice, cedar and dark cocoa aromas, followed by a concentrated palate delivering supple mouthfeel and succulent fruit flavours. Superbly long and velvety to the finish` Drink now to 2035. Wine Orbit

Sam Kim

`Deep, youthful purple/red colour with a lifted, peppermint note to the red-berry and spice aromas, laced with smoky char oak. The wine is full bodied and dense, powerful and chunky, filling the mouth with robust rustic flavour, and powdery tannins that persist throughout the length of the palate to a drying finish and aftertaste. A solid, gutsy red with lavish tannins and the concentration to ensure it ages long term` Drink to 2033 Real Review HH March 2021

