



THE WILLOWS VINEYARD

2021 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.

Variety

100% Shiraz
Single Vineyard
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, microclimate and management between each block helps build complexity in the final blend. Vine age varies from 20-55 years. Soils vary but are predominantly sandy loam over red clay.

Vintage 2020/21

2021 was a textbook vintage and will be remembered for excellent quality wines from the Barossa Valley. Bud burst happened mid-September, with flowering in mid-November. Spring was wet, but we finished with a dry summer, the mild temperatures resulting in a long, even ripening period, giving the chance for the grapes to develop maximum flavour, whilst retaining freshness. Harvest began in February, and finished at the start of April, with conditions that can only be described as perfect with mild to warm days, no heat spikes, and lovely cool nights, combining for a lovely pace to vintage 2021!

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 maturation in 80% French and 20% American oak hogsheads. We intend for the wine to be approachable as a young wine, but with ample structure to allow for cellaring.

Tasting Notes

Deep crimson in colour, powerful but graceful, showing fine balance and structure. The wine opens with spicy, dark berry notes, revealing hints of sweet cedar spice. Richly aromatic and velvety, full bodied and packed with plum, blueberry, cloves, and cinnamon spices, finishing long with silky tannins.

ALC 14.5 %
Vegan Friendly
Winemakers: Peter & Jack Scholz

