

BAROSSA VALLEY

# SCHILD

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Schild Estate Wines are created with an authenticity and passion that comes from generations of a family who have made their home in the Southern Barossa.

## 2016 Edgar Schild Reserve Bush Vine Grenache

### The Vineyard

Planted in 1916 these Centenarian bush vines grow high on the Eastern hills overlooking Rowland Flat. The low-yielding, hardy vines grow untrellised and are constantly exposed to the elements. The premium grapes are hand-picked the way they have been for over a hundred years.

### The Vintage

A mild, December and January with cool nights saw ideal conditions prevail towards the end of the 2016 growing season. The result was a measured pace of ripening which ensured the balanced development of sugar and flavours in the fruit along with the retention of natural grape acid before some later season warmth allowed some real fruit presence to develop. A great Grenache year.

### Technical Notes

Hand harvested and then crushed into either traditional open top fermenters or large format oak, the wine undergoes pre-fermentation cold soak and is then either gently pumped over or punched down by hand according to winemaker specifications so as to obtain optimal colour and retain complex fruit flavours. Additional post fermentation maceration usually occurs before the wine is then drained and pressed to barrel. Free run and pressings are usually kept separate and a combination of new and aged oak barrels are used for a maturation of between 12-14 months. The wine is then prepared for bottling before seeing some further time in bottle prior to release.

### Tasting Notes

Deep dark ruby in colour with lifted aromas of both red and dark berry fruit aromas show prominently upfront and are supported by subtler hints of fruit loaf, cardamom and faint oak spice. Notes of morello cherries, red currants and dark plum fruit fill out the front and mid palate with texture and presence. These sit alongside refreshing mouth aromatics and pepper spice supported all the time by a fine subtle tannin frame constantly lifting and framing the wine. The result is some lovely movement through the mouth before finishing structured, clean and long as the fruit rolls out the back end.

### Cellaring

Drink now to 2023

### Accolades & Awards

94 POINTS | James Halliday Wine Companion 2019  
GOLD | AWC International Wine Challenge 2018  
GOLD | China Wine & Spirits Awards 2018  
SILVER | TEXsom International Wine Awards 2019  
91 POINTS - YEAR'S BEST | Wine & Spirits Magazine 2018  
94 POINTS - Meridith May, The Tasting Panel Mag, 2021  
90 POINTS | Wine Enthusiast 2019



Varietal: 100% Grenache

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Kleemans Block

Vines: Centenarian Bush Vines

Oak: New to Twice Aged French Oak  
Puncheons

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 6.6

Titrateable Acid: 3.42g/L

Food Paring: Veal Scaloppini or Peking Duck  
Pancakes

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine