



## 1847 WINERY HOME BLOCK PETIT VERDOT 2016

### *BACKGROUND*

Beneath the sunlit skies of South Australia's Barossa Valley, 1847 Winery quietly tends to a historic single vineyard block — our cherished “Home Block.” With its distinctive soil composition, abundant sunlight, and excellent drainage, this site provides the ideal conditions for a varietal rarely seen in a leading role: Petit Verdot. Originally from Bordeaux, Petit Verdot is known for its deep color, robust structure, and firm tannins, and is traditionally used as a blending component to add strength and character. However, after years of careful observation and experimentation, our winemakers discovered that the old-vine Petit Verdot from Home Block displayed an exceptional completeness and individuality — with the complexity and elegance needed to stand on its own. And so, we chose to defy convention, crafting this bold expression as a single-varietal wine, allowing this long-overlooked “supporting player” to finally take center stage.

### *VARIETY*

100% Barossa Valley Petit Verdot from vines over 30 years old.

### *TECHNICAL INFORMATION*

Alcohol: 13.5% | Volum: 750ml | Region: Barossa Valley

### *VINTAGE REPORT*

The 2016 vintage began with well below-average winter rainfall, followed by a warm and dry spring, which enhanced flowering and set to give average to above-average yield potential. Low disease pressure was maintained by one of the hottest Decembers on record, though temperatures cooled down in the New Year and rainfall around veraison in late January gave relief to the old, dry-grown vines. Open, light and airy vine canopies allowed for good flavour, sugar and colour and mature tannins to develop at harvest, which was overall characterised by average yields but very high quality.

### *WINEMAKING*

The grapes used for the 2016 Home Block Petit Verdot were hand-harvested in April. After destemming and crushing, the must was transferred to fermenters, where cultured yeast was added. During fermentation, the wine was hand-plunged twice daily to extract colour, flavour, and tannin. After six days on skins, the wine was pressed off on the seventh day, then matured in French oak barrels for a minimum of 22 months before bottling.

### *TASTING NOTE*

The aroma displays lifted floral, dark cherry and mint notes. The palate is full bodied with a dense core of savory black fruits, kitchen spices and cassis. The wine finishes with great vibrant fruit supported by fine grain French oak tannin ensuring long term ageing potential.



Peaking Time  
2020-2040

