



1847 WINERY GREY GRAND PAPPY' S BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ 2017 (LIMITED RELEASE)

Background

2017 vintage Grand Pappy's Shiraz, limited release to 8,000 bottles, and is dedicated to embracing traditional winemaking techniques. Only the most elegant barrels were selected to create this premium example of Barossa Valley Shiraz.

Grand Pappy' s is a tribute to the founding generation of the 1847 Winery and our very first vigneron. Chosen for his courage, vision, and deep connection to the land, Grand Pappy laid the foundation for generations to come. This wine is crafted from our oldest, most exceptional vines, grown in select parcels of the Barossa Valley. Aged in fine oak and made in only the best vintages, Grand Pappy' s reflects the pinnacle of our winemaking—rich in flavour, refined in structure, and deeply rooted in family heritage. It is the purest expression of tradition, craftsmanship, and the land that started it all.

Varieties

100% Barossa Valley Shiraz from vines over 40-75 years old

Technical Information

Alcohol:15% | pH: 3.5 | Acidity: 6.8g/L | Volum: 750ml | Region: Barossa Valley

Vintage Report

The 2017 vintage in Barossa Valley wrapped up a month or more later than recent years, benefiting from the unusually cool and wet preceding season. Winter and spring brought strong rainfall—while 2016 saw over 150% of average annual rainfall, creating well-conditioned soils and fostering healthy initial vine growth. During veraison in January and February 2017, temperatures remained near average with only brief heat spikes. Two well-timed rain events in late January and early February kept vines healthy and slowed ripening. March ushered in an Indian summer with above-average daytime temperatures (+2–3 ° C) followed by notably cooler nights—extending the harvest well into May.

Winemaking

Hand-harvested from the finest old-vine Shiraz blocks in Rowland Flat, this wine is a blend of 90% Barossa Valley Shiraz and 10% Barossa Valley Durif. The Durif component adds deeper colour, firmer tannin structure, and higher acidity, enhancing cellaring potential. After destemming, the fruit was fermented in small, temperature-controlled open fermenters with twice-daily pump-overs to optimise colour, flavour, and tannin extraction. The wine was then matured for 22 months in 50% French oak and 50% American oak barrels, achieving a harmonious integration of power, structure, and complexity.

Tasting Note

This is evident from the intense purple colour and the vibrant plum aroma. The palate is silky and rich with cherry and rhubarb, dark chocolate and toast notes. The palate is soft and voluptuous with smooth tannins from the extended barrel maturation. The dense structure and power of this wine means it can be cellared with confidence.



Peaking Time
2022-2052

