

Hunter Valley Shiraz 2018

TYRRELL'S WINES, HUNTER VALLEY, AUSTRALIA



HARVEST & VINTAGE NOTES

The Hunter Valley Shiraz is a selection of some of Tyrrell's top blocks on their Estate and surrounding area, most of which are dry grown and averaging 40 years in vine age. It is made to the same high standards of Vat 9 Shiraz.

The 2018 vintage was an incredible encore following the stellar 2017 Shiraz vintage. A continuation of the warm and dry conditions with less extreme heat than the previous year, and some rain at perfect times meant that the fruit was simply perfect at harvest time. The concentration of the fruit was similar to great vintages such as 2014 and 2007.

The grapes were picked before fermentation in open top vats. The wine was then matured in older, large format French oak casks. These 2,700 litre casks highlight the fruit purity whilst making sure that oak isn't the dominant character.

The final wine is a vibrant purple color, with a lifted nose showing red fruits and some spice. The palate has wonderful concentration and depth yet still lively and fresh. The tannins are expansive yet remain soft and the acidity adds to the wines complexity. A wonderful example of the moder, medium bodied Hunter Valley Shiraz.

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GRAPES: 100% Shiraz

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

PH: 3.46

TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.46 g/L



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