



2015 1890s VINEYARD SHIRAZ

◆ 100% BAROSSA VALLEY, SOUTH AUSTRALIA ◆

The Story:

The Hahn family were among the original pioneers to the Barossa Valley, and began growing grapes in 1845. In 1997 a partnership was formed between 6th generation family custodians and internationally respected winemaker, Rolf Binder, in producing the JJ Hahn range of wines. Launched in 1999, as a shared desire to showcase the family's legacy of grape growing from a wonderful collection of Barossa old vine vineyards held in the family for generations. The range now encompasses small volumes of handmade wines, intended to be affordable and enjoyable to drink. Wines are crafted using fruit from a unique and expressive 'old vine' vineyard in the north-eastern region of the Barossa, owned, managed and worked by the Binder family.

The Vintage:

Above average early winter rains filled the soils and dams. Despite a drier than average August, winter rains were 20% higher than average. August and Spring were drier with warmer days so the vines got away to a good healthy start. Ripening conditions were perfect, and the result in many vineyards was that vintage started early, with many varieties ripening together. With February and March being dry, most of the vintage was harvested before the end of March. Yields were a bit below or close to the recent average and certainly better than the previous 2 lighter years. Another really great Barossa vintage.

The Winemaking:

Harvested from the Riedl Estate in the Barossa subregion of Vine Vale, from vines planted in the 1890's. Low yielding and packed with intense flavour these grapes were fermented as a small batch to maximise the attention we could pay to these rare grapes. Undergoing regular pumping over during fermentation and gentle pressing at the end of the fermentation to maximise the retention of flavours. The wine was then matured in 80% new American and 20% older French oak Hogsheads for 18 months prior to bottling.

The Taste and Experience:

Upon inspection, an intense deep red colour is evident in the wine. Aromas of deep rich mocha, toffee and chocolate are combined with defined but not domineering oak character. The palate is extremely rich and velvety, with tight round complex flavours of herbs, cloves and deep pure silky Shiraz fruit. The tannins are veneered, smooth and soft with lingering persistence. Peak drinking 2019-2029.

◆ Made by Rolf Binder
Barossa Valley Winemaker



The Analysis:

Alcohol:
14.5%

Acid: 6.80 **pH:** 3.47

Oak:
80% new American
Oak Hogsheads plus
20% older French
Oak Barrels

