

PRODUCER PROFILE

Winery production: 60,000 Bottles Region: Adelaide Hills Country: Australia

Shaw + Smith Shiraz 2015

WINE DESCRIPTION

First vinified in 2002, Shaw + Smith Shiraz has quickly garnered attention as a standout cool climate Australian shiraz.

Sourcing immaculate fruit from the cool Adelaide Hills region, Shaw + Smith carry out whole berry fermentation in open-topped steel vats allowing for gentle yet thorough extraction and optimal aromatics. Maturation in French oak allows tannins to soften and aromas to harmonize before bottling under screw cap.

Shaw + Smith own two vineyards in the Adelaide Hills, at Balhannah and Lenswood, totalling 55 hectares. The vineyards are planted to varieties that perform particularly well in the region, namely Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and Shiraz.

Hand picked and fermented as a combination of whole berries and whole bunches in open fermenters, with gentle plunging and minimal working.

TASTING NOTES

Shaw + Smith Shiraz is a medium bodied cool-climate Shiraz, in which balance is more important than power.

The 2015 vintage is true to style with particular opulence and generosity: a reflection of an excellent warm yet even season.

FOOD PAIRING

A versatile and elegant wine, Shaw + Smith Shiraz is unforgettable when matched with well seasoned red meats cooked over an open fire.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Soil composition: Sandy-Loam over Red Clay, Quartzite and Shale

Training method:

Elevation:

Vines/acre:

Yield/acre:

Exposure:

Year vineyard planted:

Double-Guyot VSP

1,254 - 1,386 feet

740 - 1,110

2.4 tons

Northern

2002

Harvest time: March - April First vintage of this wine: 2002

Bottles produced of this wine: 2002

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Shiraz

Fermentation container: Open-Top Stainless Steel Tanks

Fermentation temperature: up to 90 °F

Maceration technique: Cold Soak Maceration and Punchdown

Length of maceration: 15 - 30 days

Malolactic fermentation: Yes

Type of aging container: Barriques and Barrels

Size of aging container:

Age of aging container:

Type of oak:

Length of aging before bottling:

Length of bottle aging:

Total SO2:

228L - 500L

New to 3 years

French

14 months

8 months

8 months

ANALYTICAL DATA

 Alcohol:
 14.5%

 pH level:
 3.6

 Residual sugar:
 0.2 g/L

 Acidity:
 6 g/L

