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Schild Estate Wines are created with an authenticity and passion that comes from generations of a family who have made their home in the Southern Barossa.

2018 Barossa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

The Vineyard

This Cabernet Sauvignon comes from a combination of three of the Schild Estate vineyards; 'Angus Brae', 'Narrow Road' and 'Three Springs'. Angus Brae is located in Altona between Rowland Flat and Lyndoch, named after Ed Schild's grandson. Narrow Road Vineyard sits high on the hills behind the township of Rowland Flat, adjacent to the original Schild homestead that was purchased and settled by Ben and Alma Schild in 1952. Three Springs Farm is also close to the original family Estate. At 380m above sea level these are traditionally much lower yielding than those planted on the Barossa floor producing fruit of a higher quality.

The Vintage

Reasonable spring and winter rain saw adequate soil moisture during the growing season with healthy canopies heading into veraison. January and February were dry, slowing the pace of ripening and keeping yields lower than initially predicted. This ensured moisture and canopy management were key to reducing stress and maintaining vine health at the back end of the season. If that was achieved, the red wines produced from the region in 2018 are of high quality and showing genuine promise early on.

Technical Notes

This wine is fermented in stainless steel open fermenters before undergoing secondary malolactic fermentation in new and seasoned French oak hogsheads. There is a focus on minimal handling and the use of oak for structural framing rather than imparting significant oak flavour. The wine is matured for 12-14 months in barrel before usually undergoing a light filtration and fining if deemed appropriate prior to bottling.

Tasting Notes

Deep dark ruby in colour. Aromatically the wine is marked both by lifted primary fruit notes of dark plum and blackcurrant along with more savoury glimpses of graphite pencil lead and cedar wood spice. Flavours of black cherry and chocolate are framed by an ever present but superfine tannin frame providing a genuine sense of poise and balance as the wine travels through.



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Varietal: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyards: Angus Brae, Narrow Road, Three Springs.

Oak: New & Seasoned French Oak Hogsheads.

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 3.59

Titrateable Acid: 6.2g/L

Food Paring: Rack of lamb

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine & James Adams