

THORN-CLARKE
— BAROSSA WINEMAKERS —

TERRA BAROSSA SHIRAZ CABERNET PETIT VERDOT



VINTAGE	2012	REGION	Barossa
HARVESTED	Feb-March 2012	BOTTLED	March 2014
ALCOHOL	14.5%	BLEND	Shiraz - 70%, Cabernet Sauvignon - 20%, Petit Verdot - 10%

WINEMAKERS NOTE

The wine has a dark red hue with a spicy plum character which is complexed by an iodine like character. Plum and black currant fruit characters are balanced by spicy, chocolates and oak characters. The wine has soft tannins which provide structure to the wine. The wine finishes with a creamy character and lingers for a long time.

VINTAGE

A warmer spring and cooler summer saw the Barossa begin vintage 2012 with some exceptionally healthy vines and expectations for early maturation. Maximum mean temperatures in the Barossa in spring (September to November) were slightly above average, which led to good vegetative growth, healthy vines and potentially early maturation, while summer mean maximum temperatures were cooler than average.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was harvested at night when the fruit was deemed to be ripe by our winemakers. Warm fermentation was carried out in a mix of potter and open fermenter. Extended time on skins adds to the texture of the wine. The wine was matured in French oak for ten months prior to blending and bottling.

