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Basket Pressed Shiraz 2014

Winemaker: Bruno Tait
Appellation: Barossa Valley
Varietal: Shiraz
Yields per Acre: 1 - 2 t/acre
Cases Produced: 800
Filtration and fining: n/a
Wood treatment: 20% New (American and French)
balance used (3 to 5 year old) American (90%)
and French (10%)
Length of barrel maturation: 24 months.

Alcohol: 15.9%
Total Acid: 7.2
Free/Total Sulfur: 37/120
pH: 3.4
Residual Sugar: 1.2



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Viticultural Practices: The grapes that make up the Basket Pressed Shiraz are sourced from single vineyard located in the Rowland Flat area of the Barossa Valley. The soil is sandy over a ironstone base. The vines do not get watered during the growing season and rely solely on mother nature which results in low cropping levels but intense fruit flavours. Picking is only done when the grapes are physiologically ripe.

Winemaker Notes: All grapes are picked when physiologically ripe to obtain peak ripeness in terms of sugar and flavor. The grapes are de-stemmed into open fermenters, pH is adjusted and fermentation takes place over 10-14 days at a temperature of approx 24 degrees centigrade. Heading down boards are used ensure the cap (skins) are completely immersed giving the resultant wine richness. The wine is then pressed using a Basket Press. The wine is then transferred to barrel to undergo Malo-lactic fermentation and to mature for 24 months. All wine is raked and returned to barrel 2 to 3 times during the 12 month period to ensure a clean wine that does not need any fining or filtration. Color: Deep Black colour. Nose: Intense aromas of blackcurrent, Stewed plums, and chocolate. Palate: Full bodied berry palate with a sweet long lasting finish.

Score(s): 93 pts Wine Advocate - The 2014 Shiraz Basket Pressed comes from a different Rowland Flat vineyard from the one that went into this bottling through 2010, with younger vines planted on unirrigated sandy soils. The style remains the same, with big, bold fruit backed by soft oak shadings and ample richness. It's full-bodied and velvety on the palate, with a long, fruit-driven finish. cassis and mocha, plus wafts of licorice and cloves. Very big, rich, full-bodied and opulent in the mouth, the oak really needs time to integrate, yet the firm, ripe structure and concentration suggestion this is built for the long-haul.