

BAROSSA VALLEY

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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.

2016 Alma Schild Reserve Chardonnay

The Reserve collection of wines are named in honour of Schild Family members who have given their foresight and passion to the Schild Estate journey.

Ben Schild brought the first of the Schild family vineyards in the Southern Barossa after moving back into the area in 1952 with his wife Alma and their eight children. Ben died suddenly four years later leaving the youngest of his children Ed, then aged 15, to take the reigns of the family business. Ed and his wife, Lorraine, have since grown the business to include 12 unique vineyards and the Schild Estate Winery which produces some of the Barossa Valley's most highly acclaimed wines.

The Vineyard

Chardonnay from our historic Moorooroo Vineyard situated north of Jacobs Creek reaches an altitude of 200 metres above sea level, which is the base of the Barossa Valley. This altitude makes the vines prone to frost during winters, but in return they receive long sun hours during summer which makes for great fruit ripening during harvest.

The Vintage

Cool December and January night time temperatures saw favourable white wine ripening conditions prevail towards the end of the growing season in the region. The result was a measured pace of ripening which ensured the balanced development of sugar and flavours in the fruit along with the retention of natural grape acid.

Technical Notes

Fruit for this wine is harvested in the cool of the night and delivered quickly to the winery. The wine undergoes fermentation in oak barrel where it remains for 6-9 months undergoing regular assessment by the wine making team before being prepared for bottling.

Tasting Notes

Pale straw in colour with fragrant notes of lemon citrus, pear and stone fruit coupled with more delicate glimpses of floral blossom perfume, mineral bath salts and hints of hazelnut. Flavours of lemon lime citrus powderpuff, along with notes of nectarine, white peach and nougat which have been softened and accentuated by extended lees stirring. A subtle oak framework and some integrated natural acidity then provides the required freshness, drive and length through to the finish. Looks possibly more driven and mineral than previous vintages due to natural acid retention from the vintage

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Accolades & Awards

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Varietal: 100% Chardonnay

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Moorooroo Vineyard

Oak: New to Twice Aged French Oak Hogsheads.

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 13.0%

pH: 3.24

Titrateable Acid: 7.1g/L

Food Paring: Roast Pork & Apple Sauce

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine