

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.

## 2015 Barossa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

### The Vineyard

Our Cabernet Sauvignon comes from a combination of three of our 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 (Michael's eldest). 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 meaning the fruit produced is often of a higher quality.

### The Vintage

A mild, and at times cool December and January saw ideal conditions prevail towards the end of the growing season in the region. The result was a measured pace of ripening early on in harvest before some warmer weather kicked things along and compressed the harvest somewhat. Managing the program of picking and winery space closely and effectively was therefore crucial to the success of the 2015 harvest. If you were able to achieve that, then the resulting wines from the vintage show some genuine balance from the early mild weather and some real flavour depth and presence as a result of late season warmth and ripeness.

### Technical Notes

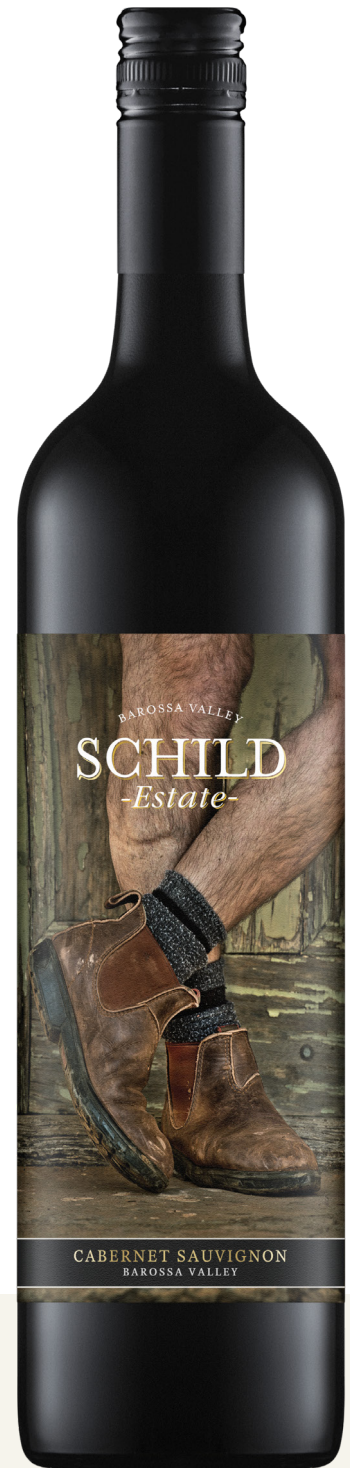
This wine is fermented in stainless steel open fermenters before undergoing secondary malolactic fermentation in new and seasoned French oak hogsheads. There is a focus on minimal handling and the use of oak for structural framing rather than imparting significant oak flavour. The wine is matured for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

### Tasting Notes

Deep, dark ruby hues with fragrant aromas of upfront dark plum fruit, sit alongside classic varietal markers of green pepper, eucalypt and cedar wood. Fresh soft dark plum and blueberry fruit is supported by a focused, fresh line of travel through the palate. The dark fruit holds firm, deep and long before just a hint of spice and some subtle tannin grip shows late working around the edges, providing another layer and rounding out the wine.

### Cellaring

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**Varietal:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Region:** Barossa Valley, South Australia

**Vineyard:** Angus Brae, Narrow Road, Three Springs.

**Oak:** New & Seasoned French Oak Hogsheads.

#### Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 3.61

Titrateable Acid: 6.38g/L

**Food Paring:** Rack of lamb

**Winemaker:** Scott Hazeldine & James Adams