

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.

2014 Prämie Shiraz

The Vineyard

The Narrow Road Vineyard sits high on the hills behind the township of Rowland Flat. The vines grown adjacent to the original Schild homestead that was purchased and settled by Ben and Alma Schild in 1952 on what was historically known as 'Narrow Road'

The Vintage

The wines from 2014 show much promise, however some late growing season heat and rain episodes ensured that it was not without some anxious moments for the winemakers along the way. A certain amount of nerve was required, but mother nature came to the party in the end and mild perfect conditions late in the season ensured we made it home really happy with the vintage. The resulting wines seem to get better and better with time in barrel and bottle and a year where a production of this wine was warranted.

Technical Notes

Hand harvested and then crushed into traditional open top fermenters, the wine undergoes pre-fermentation cold soak and is then either gently pumped over or punched down by hand according to winemaker specifications so as to obtain optimal colour and retain complex fruit flavours. Additional post fermentation maceration usually occurs before the wine is then drained and pressed to barrel. Free run and pressings are usually kept separate and combination of new and aged oak are barrels for maturation of between 18-24 months. The wine is then prepared for bottling with some seeing some further time in bottle prior to release.

Tasting Notes

Deep, dark ruby. Full, soft and layered with aromas of blackberries and blood plum fruit. These are coupled with secondary more subtle hints of cedar wood, fresh vanilla bean and spice. Controlled primary fresh plums and dark berry fruit show again on the palate, where they hold their presence all the way through to roll out at the finish. A present, but fine tannin framework provides just enough focus and lift for the fruit to ensure added complexity and a refreshment factor.



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Drink now to 2026.

Accolades & Awards

95 POINTS | James Halliday Wine Companion 2019

93 POINTS | Robert Parker, Wine Advocate

92 POINTS | James Halliday Wine Companion 2018

91 POINTS | Huon Hooke 2017

SILVER | Melbourne International Wine Competition 2016

BRONZE | International Wine & Spirit Competition 2016

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Varietal: 100% Shiraz

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Narrow Road

Oak: New to Twice Aged French Oak Hogsheads

Analyses

Alc/Vol: 14.5%

pH: 3.65

Titrateable Acid: 6.66g/L

Food Paring: BBQ ribs or slow-cooked beef brisket

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine & James Adams