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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.

2019 Moorooroo Shiraz

The Vineyard

This irreplaceable vineyard was planted in 1847 by pioneering woman Ann Jacob, just eleven years after the foundation of South Australia putting them amongst the oldest in the world. Situated between Jacob's Creek and the North Para River the vineyard gets its name from the Indigenous word 'Moorooroo' meaning 'meeting of two waters'.

The Vintage

The 2019 growing season commenced with a warmer than average winter and spring before a combination of a couple of hot spells and then near perfect conditions eventuated later in the season as we closed in on harvest dates. This all resulted in some early harvest sugar accumulation in some blocks without necessarily the required flavour development in the grapes. A year when there was no substitute for winemakers spending significant time in the vineyards. If this was done and canopies and moisture was managed well, the flavour components did catch up and whilst yields were low, the resulting quality was very good.

Technical Notes

Hand harvested and then crushed into traditional open top fermenters, the wine undergoes pre-fermentation cold soak before being 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 a combination of new and aged oak barrels are used for a maturation of between 18–24 months. The wine is then prepared for bottling before seeing some further time in bottle prior to release.

Tasting Notes

Inviting dark berry fruit, fresh vanilla bean and an almost floral petal like note reveal themselves on the nose, shyly at first but with a quickening pace and a building crescendo over time after opening. On the palate the wine makes a further statement and really make its mark with a mouth filling, chewy dark berry fruit quality which treads the line between a genuine depth of flavour whilst retaining a vitality and brightness. The fruit holds long until the very back and showcases the quality of the raw materials and leaves the drinker with a decadent, indulgent and savouring aftertaste.

Accolades & Awards

98 POINTS - Ray Jordan, Wine Pilot 2022 95 POINTS - Dave Brookes, Halliday Wine Companion, 2022 95 POINTS - Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front, 2022 95 POINTS - Mike Bennie, WBM 2022 92 POINTS - Agron Brasher, The Real Review 2022



Video Tasting Notes with winemaker Scott Hazeldine schildestate.com.au | purebarossa@schildestate.com.au



Varietal: 100% Shiraz

Region: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vineyard: Moorooroo

Vines: Ancestor Vines

Oak: New to Twice Aged French Oak Hogsheads

Analyses Alc/Vol: 14.5% pH: 3.5

Titratable Acid: 5.5g/L

Food Paring: Roast beef with all the trimmings.

Cellaring: Drink now to 2032

Winemaker: Scott Hazeldine