

## GROOM BAROSSA VALLEY 2018 SHIRAZ

Variety: Shiraz (100%)

Appellation: Barossa Valley, South Australia

Vintage: 2018

Maturation: 18 months, 30% New.

(French 45% American Oak 55%)

Alcohol: 14.9% V/V

pH Acid: 3.60 .66gm/100ml

2018 was a superb vintage with wonderful flavors and colors in all Barossa Reds. The only disappointment was low yields on our Estate Vineyards. The season started well with nice winter rains followed by dry and warm spring which really gave the vines a boost. Summer months were warmer than usual but the icing on the cake was the very hot and dry (50% of usual rainfall) Indian Summer in March and April.

Our 2018 Groom Shiraz is another delicious wine. It's rich, bold juicy and vibrant. The color is dark and enticing, typical for this wonderful grape variety. The nose oozes of black fruits, licorice, mocha and vanilla. The new oak maturation influence is subtle but adds some caramel and smokiness on the aroma. The palate is pure Shiraz, silky, sexy and beckoning to have that second glass. The alcohol is slightly higher than our average due to the slightly warmer and drier vintage conditions. This wine will age incredibly well and will reward those who cellar it.







## ABOUT THE WINEMAKER - DARYL GROOM

Daryl has been named Winemaker of the Year by eight publications including the *San Francisco Chronicle* and *Los Angeles Times. Food and Wine Magazine* named him one of 11 visionaries to "change the world of wine". He was also recently named one of the Top 100 Most Influential People in the Wine Industry. He has judged over 120 wine shows across the United States.

Quarterly Review of Wines - Winemaker of the Year • San Francisco Chronicle - Winemaker of the Year Dallas Morning News Publishers Award - Winemaker of the Year Houston Chronicle - Winemaker of the Year Los Angeles Times - Winemaker of the Year Mead on Wine - Winemaker of the Year • Food & Wine - One of 11 Visionaries to Change the World of Wine Dallas - TV Munson Award for International Accomplishment • IWSC - International Winemaker of the Year