

# TRENTHAM

## ESTATE



### ESTATE GROWN SHIRAZ 2017

INSPIRED BY OUR SURROUNDINGS WE REFLECT ON THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF THE MURRAY DARLING TO CREATE WINES OF DISTINCTION AND SUSTAINABILITY.

#### THE GRAPES

Shiraz, also known as Syrah, is thought to originate from the Rhone Valley in France and it continues to be the most predominant variety in this region. In 1831 James Busby collected cuttings from France and brought them to Australia. By the 1860's Shiraz was established as one of the most important grape varieties in Australia and has developed an excellent reputation and is sought after worldwide.

#### THE VINTAGE

'Late but great' sums up the 2017 vintage. Good rain in spring, followed by mild weather and only short heat waves resulted in grapes ripening slowly on the vine. It was certainly an unusually late harvest but the wines are something to be proud of – well balanced fruit, plenty of flavour and distinct varietal aromas.

#### THE WINEMAKING

Once harvested, the grapes were de-stemmed and pumped into the fermentation vessel. The fruit was fermented on skins for 7 days before pressing. After pressing, the wine was matured in a combination of new and aged French and American oak barrels. The wine was then blended and bottled in June 2017.

#### THE WINE

Dark vibrant red in colour with lifted aromas of black cherry and chocolate. On the palate concentrated dark fruit flavours are complimented by subtle oak characters of mocha and spice. Full bodied and well-structured with firm ripe tannins providing balance and length.

#### THE FOOD

Excellent match with any grilled red meat or a rich casserole.

#### ANALYSIS

Varietal: Shiraz  
Alcohol: 14.5%  
Acid: 6.4 g/l  
pH: 3.51  
Sweetness: Dry