

2017 HOBBS TIN LIDS SHIRAZ - CABERNET

HOBBS OF BAROSSA RANGES, BAROSSA VALLEY, AUSTRALIA



THE WINE:

60% Shiraz and 40% Cabernet Sauvignon from the Hobbs estate vineyard perched above the Barossa Valley. The fruit was handpicked and fermented using natural yeasts in open vats with daily hand plunging. Aged for 24 months in French oak 225 liter hogsheads of one and two years old. The name Tin Lids is the affectionate nickname given to the three children of Greg and Alison Hobbs who helped out in the winemaking and the concept of this wine.

THE ESTATE:

Greg and Alison Hobbs purchased the property in 1995 after years of living in the big cities of Australia. Greg was a former police officer and member of the elite SWAT team in Sydney. The Hobbs Vineyard sits atop the lofty peaks of the Barossa Range above Flaxman's Valley. The original vineyard was planted in 1905. With a deep respect for nature and for the traditions of the region, the vineyard is grown using sustainable agricultural practices without irrigation. Hobbs winery produces a range of wines with the emphasis being on the mighty Shiraz grape. Production is extremely limited with an annual case production of only 1,500 cases per year.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: deep crimson red with a purple core

Aromas: blackberry and plum fruit from the Shiraz mingles with the currant and herbal notes of the Cabernet Sauvignon; hints of chocolate and fresh tobacco complete the bouquet

Flavor & Texture: blueberries and exotic spice leads to ripe black currant with a lush, soft and mouth-filling texture; polished tannins and great natural acids make the wine remarkably drinkable given its power and youth

Food Pairing: summer bbq fare from ribs to gourmet burgers

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