

EDEN HALL

Shiraz { BLOCK 4 }

EDEN VALLEY 2015

Region:	Eden Valley
Harvested:	8 April 2015
Alcohol:	14.54%
pH:	3.63
Residual sugar:	1.07
Bottled:	22 November 2016
Total production:	7,470 bottles

2015 Vintage:

The 2015 growing season started well with above average early winter rains that filled the soils and dams, however it was dry from then on. Temperatures were above average in spring allowing the vines to get away to a good healthy start.

The dry weather meant that when the night time temperature dipped there were again late season frosts, but thankfully not damaging at Avon Brae. Summer was generally mild with the exception of a few days of extreme heat after New Year that were associated with the outbreak of the Sampson Flat bushfires in the Adelaide Hills on 2 January. The damaging fires burned for 7 days in the Adelaide Hills and despite some anxious days, the fires were far enough away that they had no impact on the Eden Valley.

Thirty millimetres of rain on 8 January helped quell the fires and refreshed the vines. Near perfect ripening conditions followed leading into an earlier than usual harvest. The Grüner Veltliner was first to come off, handpicked by our extended family, Riesling and Viognier were next with it all picked by the second week of March. Shiraz and Cabernet ripened at the same time this year and were harvested around Easter.

2015 was a cracking vintage in pace, yield, and above all quality and is likely to surpass the 2002 vintage in greatness.

2015 Eden Hall Shiraz tasting:

The 2015 Eden Hall Shiraz comes from selected rows in Block 4 and spent 18 months in French Oak followed by more than a year in bottle prior to release. It is bright crimson/purple in colour, the nose is dominated by spice and sweet dark fruit with tar lurking in the background. Chewy plum and black fruits are followed by savoury tannins providing a broad palate of great length. Enjoy now and beyond 2033



*Shiraz - Cabernet Sauvignon - Merlot
Cabernet Franc - Riesling - Viognier - Grüner Veltliner*

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