

Shinas Estate

2023

'THE GUILTY'

Shiraz | *Barossa Valley - Australia*

VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 95% Shiraz - 5% Cabernet Sauvignon
Vineyard: Marananga
Vine Age: 26-years-old
Soil Type: Primarily deep, brown loam with heavy clay
Viticulture: Conventional
Fermentation: Inoculated – Stainless steel open fermenter (100% whole berry)
Skin Contact: 6 days
Aging: 18 months in seasoned American & French 300L oak - then 12 months in stainless-steel
Alcohol: 14.9%
pH: 3.44
Total Acidity: 7 g/L
Total SO2: 118 ppm
Total Production: 950 cases
UPC: 872061000394

About

This wine, along with its late sibling 'The Innocent' (Viognier), launched the Judge's rise to fame. Shallow Creek Estate changed radically when new marketing leaned into George's legal career, but the bold value behind this wine never wavered—until demand outpaced supply. The estate-bottled Shiraz began in a single block planted in 1898 and carries the concentration and power to prove it. When George's friend Stephen Black of Small Gully took over the brand in 2022 fully, the original estate vineyard in Mildura was removed in order to better service the wines from Stephen's home in the Barossa.

Tasting Note

Inky ruby with violet and vanilla notes layered over dense, ripe plum. Firm, grainy tannins provide structure while dark berries and floral hints keep it lively. The finish is long, sappy, and beautifully balanced.