GRANT BURGE ICONS

2013 SHADRACH CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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Grant Burge Icon wines are named in honour of Meshach Burge, the great grandfather of founder Grant Burge who began an enduring family winemaking tradition, and the biblical origins of his name. Shadrach, one of Meshach's fellow pilgrims in the bible, represents the best Cabernet Sauvignon from Grant Burge Wines.

WINEMAKING

The Cabernet Sauvignon for Grant Burge's flagship Shadrach is sourced from Barossa vineyards where the conditions are perfect for growing super-premium Cabernet Sauvignon with great finesse, intensity and structure. The fruit for the 2013 Shadrach is sourced from the Corryton Park vineyard, high in the cool-climate Eden Valley in the Barossa Ranges, and blended seamlessly with fruit from the Barossa Valley floor with its concentrated rich fruit flavours.

The 2013 vintage saw a dry cool winter with rainfall well below average. With no subsurface moisture leading up to budburst, this was compounded with a very dry spring. This below average rainfall combined with extremely variable weather conditions and quite a few spectacular lightning storms early summer lead to some poor fruit set and smaller berry size. Slightly above average temperatures through the summer gave us a slightly earlier than normal veraison. A continuing dry spell combined with lighter crop levels lead to an earlier than average start to the season.

The wine underwent traditional fermentation in stainless steel static fermenters with a portion of fruit left on skins to undergo extended maceration to develop its complexity. The balance underwent primary and malolactic fermentation in predominantly French oak, and then matured in new and 2 to 4-year-old oak for a further 18 months.

TASTING NOTES

APPEARANCE

Red colour with great depth

BOUQUET

Blackcurrant & blackberries, mint with hints of vanilla and dried autumn leaf

PALATE

A full-bodied wine with cigar box flavours and powerful red berry fruit characters,

DETAILS

Winemaker Craig Stansborough Alcohol 14.5% Barossa Valley Region 3.4 Hq Cabernet Sauvignon Variety Acid 7.0 g/litre Cellaring 15 years

