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JOHN DUVAL ENTITY SHIRAZ 2020



\$54.99

Product Code:	6467
Country:	Australia
Region:	South Australia
Sub Region:	Barossa Valley
Style:	Red
Variety:	Syrah / Shiraz

Closure:	Screw Cap
Unit:	Each
Volume:	750ml
Alcohol:	14.5%
Grape:	100% Shiraz



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TASTING NOTES

Winery notes (2020 Vintage)

"John Duval began working with old vine Barossa Shiraz when he commenced his winemaking career at Penfolds in the early 1970's. Through the 1990's he played a leading role in trialling maturation of old vine Barossa Shiraz in new French oak hogsheads, contrary to the established winery convention of blending Shiraz from multiple regions and maturation in American oak. The early trials led to the first release of the Penfold's RWT Barossa Shiraz from the 1997 vintage - a wine that marked a step change moment in the style evolution of Barossa Shiraz. John's approach to making Barossa Shiraz continues unchanged, and maturation of selected parcels of old vine fruit in French oak is fundamental to producing Entity - an elegant Shiraz that is true to the Barossa.

Dry conditions for the second year in a row presented some challenges, with yields again well down. Despite the dry conditions, February and March were cooler than average, providing a long and even ripening period. The resulting wines are of very high quality, with great purity and depth of fruit characters.

Sourced from old Shiraz vineyards in the Krondorf, Tanunda, Ebenezer, Moppa, and Eden Valley regions comprising 94% Barossa Valley, 6% Eden Valley fruit.

The parcels of fruit were fermented separately in small stainless steel fermenters some with submerged caps, and twice daily pump overs. Due to low yields and dry conditions, we were careful to avoid over extraction, Post ferment, the component wines were matured in oak for 15 months, with 25% in new fine grain French oak hogsheads (300L) and the balance in older French hogsheads and puncheons. We intend for the wine to be approachable in its youth, but with ample structure and fruit

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depth to allow cellaring, under good conditions, for at least 15 years.

Attractive aromas of dark berries and plum supported by hints of licorice and a floral lift. Dark and brooding, tightly wound layers of rich black and blue fruits with hints of dark chocolate and spice, finishing long with savoury tannins."

5 Stars & 95/100 Stuart Knox, The Real Review, March 2022 (2020 Vintage)

"Ink black core, relaxing only slightly to a deep purple rim. Plums, dark chocolate and vanilla pods on the nose. Deep, powerful and brooding on the palate. Dark fruits, black olives and woody spices all coil around each other, vying for attention, leaning heavily into the savoury spectrum. The tannins bring a further sense of power with a firmness that suits, while still retaining a fine powdery texture. A serious food wine."

93/100 Dave Brookes, James Halliday's Wine Companion, August 2022 (2020 Vintage)

"A deeply resonant shiraz from ex-Grange winemaker John Duval from old-vine vineyards in the Barossa Valley subregions of Krondorf, Tanunda, Ebenezer and Moppa, and the Eden Barossa Valley. Deep-set blackberry, satsuma plum and black cherry with hints of licorice, dark chocolate and earth. Powdery gypsum-like tannins, a bright line and a simmering sense of latent power on the concentrated, black-fruit-rich finish."

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