

# HARBORD WINES

## 2008 'The Tendril' Shiraz Barossa Valley

### MERITS

#### JAMES HALLIDAY 2011 AUSTRALIAN WINE COMPANION



Good colour and depth: well structured and full of flavour: has blackberry, plum and dark chocolate aromas and flavours supported by ripe tannins. 14 % alc. Rating 90. Drink to 2016. Rated as Special Value.

#### WINESTATE, March/April 2010



Rich, rounded, well- balanced style with butterscotch and mocha - like aromas and flavours with unctuous varietal fruit and lovely soft tannins

#### WINE AND SPIRIT INSIDER, March 2010

Wine and Spirit Insider March 2010 has named the Harbord 2008 Tendril Shiraz as one of the " Best buys under \$ 20 " currently available from small producers.

#### THE BIG RED WINE BOOK 2010 - 2011 by Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh

Little-known brand, though its winemaker Roger Harbord has been in the business for a couple of decades. 2008 release: 'Maybe you'd call it old-fashioned, oak-driven style but then again, maybe you'll call it delicious. It's got a lot going for it. Flavours of port and blackberry, tar, hay and coffee, it's a big red for sure. Has a thick, syrupy aspect to it and ripe tannins through the finish - smooth, rich, toasty and good. DRINK 2011-2016. Value: 5 (out of 5)



### WINEMAKING

The Shiraz grapes for this outstanding wine has been hand harvested from 60-80 year old vineyards from the Barossa Valley floor in Greenock, Nuriootpa, and Vine Vale. The selected Shiraz bunches were hand sorted, destemmed and crushed into 3 Tonne wooden Vats. The fermentation at temperatures 20 - 25 degrees continued on skins for 14 days. Careful pumpover and cooling of the must took place daily after which the free run wine was run-off directly into new French Oak barriques. The remaining Shiraz must was transferred to a small Basket Press with the dark pressings transferred to one year old French oak barrels for maturation. After 18 months aging in the cellars the barrels were meticulously blended to form this quite brilliant 2008 Tendril Shiraz.

Variety: Shiraz  
Region: Barossa, South Australia  
Harvest Date: 16<sup>th</sup> March 2008  
Alcohol : 14% v/v  
Total Acid: 6.6 g/l

Winemaker: Roger Harbord  
Soil Type: Deep red sandy loam  
Bottling Date: 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009  
PH: 3.5  
Total Sulphur: 82 ppm

### TASTING NOTES

Deep dark red colour. Intense ripe wild berry fruits with hints of black licorice and dark chocolate. Full rich and concentrated with subtle new oak. Excellent layered structure of opulent fruit and big velvety tannins. Very fresh and fine, powerful but balanced. Cellar and ready to drink 2015 - 2020.

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