

Penfolds St Henri Shiraz

COUNTRY	REGION	GRAPE	VINTAGE
Australia	South Australia	Shiraz	2018

ABOUT THE DOMAINE

Penfolds is one of Australia's best known wineries with a rich history and pioneering philosophy. After the success of early sherries and fortified wines, Dr Christopher Penfold and Mary Penfold founded Penfolds wine company in 1844 on the 500 acre Magill Estate near Adelaide, South Australia. In recent years, Peter Gago, Penfolds Chief winemaker, continues to experiment and progress forward, expanding with projects overseas in California and Champagne.

WINEMAKING

St Henri Shiraz is unusual amongst high quality Australian red wines as it does not rely on any new oak. It is matured in an assortment of old large 50 year old vats for 12 months, that allow the wine to develop, imparting minimal, if any oak character. The 2018 warm, dry weather carried into autumn, setting up an Indian summer with favourable conditions for ripening grapes.

TASTING NOTES

Colours of deep inky blood-red. Aromas of freshly sliced fig and cutrhubarb laced with cinnamon, cola spice, and dusted nuts. Scents of a Greek flat-leaf parsley salad, warmed black olive – mustardy spiced wild rocket and haloumi, as well as the elution of flinty pencil and cordite. On the palette there are fruity flavours of white plum, fresh fig as well as charcuterie savouries abound. Fresh vibrant acidity abetted by the cutrhubarb noted aromatically above, and liquorice root. Toasted pumpkin seed flavours, tannin-dry yet not puckering. Mouth-watering, finely etched tannins 'mist up' the palate spectrum.



6.7 g/L

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