



# PINDARIE

*Barossa Valley*

## 2021 Black Hinge Reserve Shiraz Cabernet

**Grape Variety:** 54.5% Shiraz, 45.5% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Origin Country:** Australia

**Region of Production:** Barossa Valley (single vineyard, estate grown)

**Sealed under premium cork**

### **Winemaking Notes:**

Each variety was picked when at its best, fermented, pressed and put to barrel for an extended 'sleep' of 16 months. After much tasting, discussion, disagreement and more tasting we finally agreed on the details: two barrels of Shiraz and 'not quite' two barrels of Cabernet Sauvignon.

### **Vineyard Report:**

Entirely produced from vines grown at Pindarie, The Black Hinge Shiraz was selected from the slopes on the upper rows of "Tony's Block", grown on red-brown earth overlying limestone. The Cabernet Sauvignon block is immediately to the north of the Pindarie homestead on the western slope of Schoff's Hill; again, on lovely red earth.

**Picking Season:** 18th & 24th February, 2021

**Cellaring:** 10+ years

**Alcohol:** 15% v/v

### **Tasting Note:**

Unique to Australia, this style is regarded as a genuine classic. A blend of two great varieties that is at the heart of many great Australian reds made and enjoyed over several decades.

The two varieties don't always naturally work together; great care must be taken to find components which are genuinely complementary to find that magical combination. As we make this wine very rarely, and in very limited quantities, we can afford to take our time and be very choosy. The full-throttle depth and exuberance of the Shiraz was tempered beautifully by the coolness, structure and 'backbone' of the Cabernet. The latter is the key to its longevity, which we expect to be well in excess of a decade. Cellar it carefully, but with confidence!

