



## 2016 “The Big Show” Barossa Valley Shiraz Mataro

**Grape Variety:** 75% Shiraz, 25% Mataro  
**Region:** 100% Barossa Valley  
**Winemaker:** Nicholas Crampton and Aaron Woods  
**Closure:** Screwcap  
**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Summary:** For a small winemaker, Woods Crampton has achieved a lot in a small amount of time. “The straight men of the Barossa new wave” Woods Crampton make contemporary and balanced wines, a world away from the fruit bombs of the past.

**Vineyards:** The Shiraz is sourced from a fifty year old Barossa Valley vineyard, located in the Light-Pass sub-district on the eastern slopes of the Barossa Valley. The Mataro is sourced from the eighty year-old, dry grown Marschall Vineyard in the Vine Vale sub-district.

**Winemaking:** Each variety is vinified separately as part of the single varietal releases. Typically cold soaked before cool fermentation in small one and two tonne open fermenters with hand plunging and fifteen percent whole bunch inclusion. Matured in medium and large seasoned oak for fifteen months before blending and bottling without fining and minimal filtration.

**2016 Vintage:** An outstanding vintage, possibly the most conventionally perfect in the Barossa Valley in a decade – despite a number of hot contenders. Excellent, balanced and consistent conditions – warm but not too warm, dry but not too dry, crucially cool Autumn nights – have led to intensely flavoured and brilliantly balanced fruit with excellent freshness.

**Tasting Note:** A lifted and expressive nose full of boysenberry and blackcurrant fruit framed by floral notes, wild herbs and spice. The palate is opulent and mouth-filling with a core of supple blue fruits, blood plums and exotic undergrowth notes given definition and tension by whole bunch influences and bright acidity.

