



Hentley Farm

Barossa Valley
Wines

2011 Clos Otto

Opulence, complexity and balance all come to mind when thinking about the Clos Otto Shiraz...

With vines planted by previous owner Otto Kasper using a cutting from an ageing and secret Shiraz clone, and tended to with almost antique machinery and a well-practiced hand, the Clos Otto vineyard consistently yields super low quantities with ultra rich flavours.

Variety

100% Shiraz - Single block

Vineyard

The Clos Otto fruit is sourced from a small, eastern-facing block within the estate. The combination of the microclimate (missing only the late afternoon sun) and the soil (red clay loam with underlying red plastic clay) found on this block provides the perfect conditions for premium Shiraz production.

Vintage

The cool rainy conditions of the 2011 vintage resulted in harvest dates four weeks later than the previous growing season and while there were obvious disease concerns, the positive of this was the impact on flavour development. The extended ripening period allowed for the development of more complex and elegant aromatics and overall flavour ripeness occurring at lower sugar concentration, resulting in wines with great aromatic intensity.

Area: 3.3 ha Yield: 4.5 t/ha Harvested: March 28 - April 8 2011

Winemaking

1/3 of the block was rack dried for 3 weeks before delivered to the winery. All fruit was crushed, de-stemmed and left on skins to ferment for 8 days before being basket pressed to a combination of new (70%) and old French barrels, where it underwent natural malolactic fermentation. The wine was then returned to oak to mature for 22 months. No fining or filtration was used in the production of this wine. - Winemaker, Andrew Quin

Profile

An extraordinary perfume of blackcurrant, blueberry, black olives, pepper, clove, cinnamon, violets and dark caramel entice the nose. Blackberry, blueberry, spice, liquorice and wild fennel follow on the mid-palate and cream, coffee and vanillin linger through the back. Round, soft and voluptuous, this wine is beautifully balanced and elegant while retaining the power expected in a Barossa heavy-weight.

Blended: Sept 2012 Bottled: Feb 2013 Drink: now - 30+ years

Analysis:	Alcohol	14.8%	Acid	6.5	pH	3.58
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Reviews & Accolades

- 2011 - 94 points James Halliday
- 2009 - 96 points James Halliday
- 2008 - 95 points James Halliday; 95 points Wine Spectator
- 2006 - 94 points James Halliday; 95 points Wine Advocate
- 2005 - 96 points James Halliday

