



# Reillys

CLARE VALLEY

Family owned, estate grown  
South Australian wines  
since 1993

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## 2016 Stolen Block 'Old Vine' Shiraz

Estate Vineyard | Stolen Block, Watervale, Clare Valley // Average Vine Age 90 years  
Rich red loam over deep limestone // Aspect E/SE // Elevation 390m

Winemaker | Justin Ardill, Owner & Winemaker since 1993

### Winemaking & Viticulture |

This exquisite wine has been hand crafted from some of the oldest Shiraz vineyards in the Clare Valley which were planted in 1926.

These dry grown old vines have deep, strong roots which allow the plant to access deeper moisture and more diverse nutrients and minerals. These vines are steady and reliable and less likely to be affected by adverse weather conditions, consistently producing small yields of top quality fruit year after year. The grapes have concentrated flavours, balanced acidity and are hand picked at optimal ripeness.

Our winemaker Justin Ardill uses traditional wine making techniques of open fermentation, hand plunging and maturation in French oak for 22 months to allow this quality fruit to truly shine.

### Profile |

This is a rich, full bodied wine showing the strength and depth of the old vines with layers of succulent dark berry flavours and a touch of aniseed. The wine finishes with mocha, sweet vanilla, well integrated oak and smooth, velvety mouth feel with firm lingering tannins.

Specifications | 16% alc/vol // TA 6.36g/L // pH 3.54 // RS 3.7g/L  
Cellar | To 2030

### Reviews |

92/100, Huon Hooke, *The Real Review*, 21st January 2019

*"Very deep, dark, dense purple/red colour which stains the glass, the bouquet fresh and bright and slightly jammy... The wine is big-boned and heavily structured, concentrated and dense, with thick tannins..."*

Toni Paterson, *The Real Review*, 18th February 2019

*"...Intense aromas of blackberry jam and liqueur plums. The palate is full-bodied, warming and robust, and the finish is laden with chewy tannin. A highly-concentrated wine..."*

