

DUTSCHKE

BAROSSA VALLEY

2018 GHR Neighbours Shiraz



Since shifting here to Gods Hill Road back in 2003 our philosophy of being a producer of solely single vineyard wines from our beloved St Jakobi Vineyard changed. We of course still produce our single vineyard favourites from the St Jakobi Vineyard, but also wines from the three vineyards we drive past while travelling to the Semmler's vineyard. Our philosophy these days is to only produce wine from grapes grown within close proximity of our front gate.

We've been blessed by being able to call our little "patch of dirt" here on Gods Hill Road our home. Gods Hill Road is almost 2km long, and runs along a small hill range on the western side of the Lyndoch Valley. Along this short stretch of dirt road are some wonderful Shiraz vineyards growing on a great collection of soil types. Out of our living room window we have Max's Vineyard established on some sandy terrain with scatterings of ironstone and quartz; Staker's Vineyard of Shiraz is located on the eastern side of the road on Benno Semmler's old property with red-brown earth over clay; and at the southern end of Gods Hill Road, the old (Wally) Krieg Vineyard, much of it planted back in the 1920 and 1930's growing on some red dirt over clay and biscay soils.

This, our 2018 GHR Neighbours Shiraz, is the 14th release of this wine. A blend of Shiraz from Wally's Block and Staker's vineyards, the ripe red berry and plum like fruits that we know Shiraz delivers is combined with flavours of mocha and spice from the 18 months of barrel maturation. The French and American oak characters complement the sweet fruit mid palate concentration and the range of red berry flavours. Soft dry tannins highlight the finish.

We trust you'll enjoy it!

Winemaker	Wayne Dutschke
Vineyard	"Wally's Block" and "Staker's Vineyard"
Region	Gods Hill Road, Lyndoch, Barossa Valley, South Australia
Harvest date	5th March (Wally's) and 6th of March (Staker's) 2018
Alcohol	14.5%
Oak maturation	18 months in new & older French and American Hogsheads
Bottling date	November 2019
Cellaring potential	Drink now or cellar for more complexity

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