

# The Stag

By St Huberts

## Shiraz 2015

Established in 1862 by Hubert de Castella, St Huberts was named after the Patron Saint of the Hunt – a 7<sup>th</sup> century nobleman who turned his life around after an encounter with a magnificent stag carrying a shining cross between his antlers.

St Huberts was one of the first wineries established in the Yarra Valley and has an enviable history of producing award winning cool-climate Victorian wines. Just like the noble creature, The Stag tier of wines represents elegance, grace and esteem. Quintessentially Victorian, they are made in a classic cool climate style.

## Winemaker Comments: Greg Jarratt

### Region

Sourced from a range of premium Victorian wine regions including Grampians, Southern Bendigo and Heathcote

### Vintage Conditions

A warmer and drier vintage than usual across Victoria, leading to a record early start to picking. Yields were average to above average.

**Harvest date:** February & March 2015

**pH:** 3.60

**Acidity:** 6.2g/L

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Residual Sugar:** 1.2g/L

**Bottling Date:** June 2016

**Peak Drinking:** To 2018

**Maturation:** Matured in stainless steel and French oak.

**Colour:** Crimson red with garnet hues.

**Nose:** An inviting mix of red, dark and blue fruits. Dark cherries, blood plums and fresh raspberries. A good measure of spice with a hint of pepper. Faint graphite and supporting oak are evident.

**Palate:** Medium bodied. The palate is vibrant, even and supple. Morello cherries, spice and toasty oak fill the mouth. The wine is bold without being heavy, and refined without being lean or unfinished. Velvety, fine tannins and lingering cherry, chocolate and toast on the finish.

