

Stage Door Wine Co. has been the result of a long work-in-progress. A privately owned South Australian wine business, founded in 2013 by Graeme Thredgold, whose long history in both music and the brewing/wine industry inspired this range. SDWCo. takes the passion and flair of the music and wine industries, and combines them to produce a range of premium wines with individual expression of place and time! The fruit for the label is sourced entirely off the family owned vineyard in the Eden Valley, which was planted in 1996 to predominantly Riesling, Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon.

2018 **HEADLINER** SHIRAZ

REGION Eden Valley | ALCOHOL 14.5% | pH 3.58 | RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.8g/l

HARVESTED 12.04.2018 | BOTTLED 12.11.2019 | TOTAL PRODUCTION 1,536 bottles

2018 VINTAGE NOTES The 2018 growing season started off well following above average winter rainfall, but it was dry and warm after that. Owing to later veraison in the Eden Valley as opposed to the Barossa floor, the hot spell in January and February did not cause any concern to the Avon Brae vineyard and the vines took it all comfortably in their stride.

Thankfully, Mother Nature did not dish out any adverse events this year and harvest started in March with the whites, and finished on 19 April with the last of the Cabernet blocks. Yields were above average across the board, but quality was good, with Riesling a standout as usual.

The premium 2018 Shiraz is a bright crimson purple with an elegant perfumed nose. There's a lot going on with the palate showing ripe dark fruits along with spice and white pepper. The tannins are silky smooth. A glorious red wine that you can drink now or cellar with confidence.



