## **Shotfire Quartage**

## Thorn Clarke

## Australia - South Australia - Barossa Valley

Shotfire Quartage is based on the five traditional red varieties found in the Bordeaux region of France (Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec). The Thorn-Clarke winemakers use at least four of the varieties to create the blend each year (occasionally, they can get over excited and use all five). The blend is a reminder to not only look to the future but also to keep an eye on the past and tradition.

Much like the previous vintage, the 2020 harvest has produced wines of immense quality but with very low quantities. Another dry winter and mild weather during the ripening period lead to great varietal flavours and excellent tannin structure. Upon harvest the bunches were few and far between and the berries themselves small. This led to fruit with intense flavor and color along with great power and balance.

This generous blend boasts a rich deep red-purple color. Aromas of blackberries, satsuma plum and anise fill the glass. On the palate, plush tannins are accompanied by rich notes of cassis and blackcurrant. Together they produce a wine with lavish density, complexity and length. A wine that can be enjoyed now or laid down to age for many years.

Specifications	
Appellation	Barossa Valley
Varietals	58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Cabernet Franc, 16% Merlot, 10% Petit Verdot
Vinification	The fruit was harvested at night. Fermentation was carried out in a variety of small capacity fermenters. After pressing the parcels were filled to French oak for 12 months maturation. The wine was racked after six months and the parcels were blended to form the final wine.
Pairings	Anything on the grill, from meat to vegetables. Also great with dark chocolate.



Codes, Weights and Measures	
UPC	8 53065 00013 9
Units/Case	12
Unit Size	750 mL
Container	bottle
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Case Weight	36
Cases/Pallet	56
Layers/Pallet	14
SRP	\$ 26.99 USD 750mL Bottle

## **Reviews and News**

2020 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 91 PTS - VINOUS

2018 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 92 PTS - JS
2018 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 91 PTS - VINOUS
2018 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 88 PTS - WA
2016 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 94 PTS & Gold Medal - MIWC
2016 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 94 PTS - Wine Orbit
2016 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 92 PTS - Drinks Trade
2015 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 95 PTS - JH
2015 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 91 PTS - WS
2015 Thorn-Clarke Shotfire Quartage Barossa Valley - 90 PTS - WA