



SPARTACUS
CABERNET SAUVIGNON,
MALBEC, SHIRAZ
Langhorne Creek | 2017



For this vintage of Spartacus, our best parcels of Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec were selectively picked from low yielding old vines grown on premium dirt, just off the Angas River in Langhorne Creek. The three varieties were separately crushed, fermented and barrel-aged for approximately 18 months. The best barrels were then chosen in the winery and blended before bottling.

A robust, full bodied and well balanced wine with an interesting mixture of ripe primary fruit flavours and very pleasing fruit sweetness on the mid palate. Rich, detailed and complex. A very intense and concentrated wine showing deep red fruit flavours as promised on the nose. The Cabernet Sauvignon is a feature of this wine and makes it very Bordeaux/ Medoc/ 'left bank' in style and thus the wine will suit long ageing.

This is the best of the current Karrawatta cabernet releases. It's certainly full-bodied, but is well balanced, and the black and plum fruits have an Uber car of tannins awaiting their call.

JAMES HALLIDAY AM
HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION 2019

Deep red colour with a good tint of purple. The bouquet is smoky-oaky, earthy and super-ripe, while the palate unfolds mocha, toasty barrel, smoky, earthy and dark chocolate flavours, welded to abundant chalky, powdery tannins. It's full-bodied and robust, with cocoa powder nuances and a solid concluding grip. There's a generous core of sweet fruit.

HUON HOOKE
THE REAL REVIEW 2019

96 points (2017 VINTAGE)
Nick Butler

Gold (2017 VINTAGE)
Six Nations Wine Challenge 2019

95 points Gold (2017 VINTAGE)
Halliday Wine Companion 2020

94 points (2017 VINTAGE)
Huon Hooke, The Real Review

Trophy Wine (2016 VINTAGE)
Six Nations Wine Challenge 2018

Gold / 5 Stars (2016 VINTAGE)
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