



NAGAMBIE LAKES

# TAHBILK

EST-1860



## 2015 SHIRAZ

WINE REGION:	Nagambie Lakes
FRUIT SOURCE:	Tahbilk Estate
GRAPE VARIETY:	Shiraz
MATURATION:	18 months in large and small French and American oak barrels
ACID:	7.0 g/l
pH:	3.47
ALCOHOL:	14.5% v/v

TAHBILK SHIRAZ AWARDS

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### VINTAGE 2015

The winter of 2014 started well with above average rainfall for June and July, then nothing in August. The rollercoaster continued with September above, below for October, higher for November and low for December. The vineyard managers were irrigating at budburst and continued through Spring. Notwithstanding the unstable weather the vineyards remained healthy and disease free. Amazing considering the forecast conditions. Vintage itself started early – mid February – and continued apace until a lull in ripening early March that allowed the winery to catch up. The whites from 2015 show intense varietal characters, particularly the Marsanne & Riesling. Flavours in the reds are bright and concentrated - a very good year.

### ABOUT THE WINE

Established in 1860, Tahbilk is located in the premium central Victorian viticultural region of Nagambie Lakes.

Purchased by Reginald Purbrick in 1925, five generations of the Purbrick family have been actively involved with the Estate bringing a tradition of pride, hard work and a love of good wine to their unique heritage of being the oldest family owned winery and vineyard in Victoria.

Tahbilk Shiraz is sourced from nearly 30 hectares of vines planted at various times from the 1930s through the early 2000s.

Crafted with a commitment to traditional wine making values, fermentation takes place in original open vats over 155 years old, with maturation then in similarly aged large French oak prior to bottling. Smaller French and American oak barrels are also used, with the wine from these blended back during the final filtering and bottling.

The resultant releases are noted as being fruit-driven wines of much flavour and substance, proven over the years to develop added character when cellared.

### TASTING NOTE

“Tahbilk 2015 Shiraz is defined by varietally expressive spice, anise and black pepper characters with rich blackberry, plum and mulberry fruits. Supple and savoury there are evident dry, black tea tannins that will support cellaring out to 2026/2028”

**Alister Purbrick** – Fourth Generation  
CEO and Winemaker

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