

# WILLOW BRIDGE — ESTATE —

## *2015 Black Dog Shiraz*

*It was the vintage of 2001, when a cellar hand called out to the Winemaker during a red pumpover, "this wine is as Black as a Dog's guts!", and on that joyful day, the premium shiraz from Willow Bridge had a new name. Black Dog.*

The fruit is sourced from a gravel clay block, north east facing, backing on to the Wellington Forest, painfully low yields, but producing a wine of intense varietal character.

Estate grown fruit, handled fastidiously, matured painstakingly.



### **Winemaking**

<b>Variety</b>	Shiraz 100%
<b>Region</b>	Geographe 100%
<b>Alcohol</b>	14.5%
<b>PH</b>	3.52
<b>Total Acidity</b>	6.7 grams per litre
<b>Fermentation</b>	Crushed cool to static fermenters for eight days, peak temperature 28 degrees Celsius. 100% barrel matured in new (25%) and older french hogsheads.

### **Tasting Note/Flavour Profile**

Deep bouquet, dried plums, earthy beetroot and scented spice.

Powerful and complex, black plum fruit intermingled with complex tertiary characters of dried nuts, spice and chocolate derived from ageing.

### **Cellaring**

Up to 10 years.

