# PRIMO ESTATE

2017 PRIMO & CO SHIRAZ SANGIOVESE THE TUSCAN

Italian made and bottled, Australian inspired. Winemaker Joe Grilli flies to Italy to work with a small grower in northeast Tuscany to produce 'The Tuscan' Shiraz Sangiovese.

#### **TASTING NOTE**

This medium-bodied savoury wine delivers spicy fruit characters fused with lashings of cherry.

#### **VINEYARD REGIONS**

'The Tuscan' uses fruit from the Cortona sub-region of Southern Tuscany. Cortona has emerged as the pre-eminent Shiraz region of Italy due to the concentration and richness of the fruit being produced

### **VINTAGE CONDITIONS**

Spring frost and an extreme heatwave meant that yield in Tuscany was at a historic low. As a result, however, the fruit harvested was of pristine quality.

## WINEMAKING

'The Tuscan' is a blend of 82% Shiraz and 18% Sangiovese. After fermentation the wine spends 9 months in older French oak barriques and a small amount of new American oak barriques to marry varietal components and soften tannins.

Harvest September 2017 Grapes 70% Shiraz, 30% Sangiovese Oak 9 months in aged/new French and American barriques Alcohol 14% Winemakers Joe Grilli & Giampaolo Chiettini Peak Drinking Will reward 2-6 years of cellaring. Food Traditional antipasti, roast quail or wild boar stew.



