

Seppeltsfield Para Rare Tawny (15yr)

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: Australia

REGION: South Australia

APPELLATION: Barossa

CEPAGE: 34% Grenache, 33% Mataro, 33% Shiraz

WINEMAKING: Para Grand Tawny is the result of careful blending of individual vintage parcels, patiently matured in oak barrels within the historic cellars of Seppeltsfield, to achieve an average age of 15 years. Fortification with grape brandy occurs during fermentation, with extensive oxidative aging in old oak hogsheads.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 20.6%

AGING: Vintage wines aged separately then blended at bottling

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 300 cases

THE STORY

Seppeltsfield is quite literally one of the most historic estates in all of Australia, established in the Barossa Valley by Joseph and Johanna Seppelt in 1851, just 15 years after the European settlement of South Australia. The Seppelt family maintained ownership of Seppeltsfield until 1935. The company then went into a period of corporate ownership before returning to independent ownership in 2007, under longtime Seppelt winemaker and viticulturist Warren Randall. The estate has become a continuation of the Seppelt family legacy, with a focus on world-class, historic fortified wines as well as affordable, balanced and nuanced classic dry wine styles. Seppeltsfield is dedicated to respecting its significant history alongside an eye to the future: respecting its heritage in a modern world.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Complex fortified from a historic cellar

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Dried mandarin, smoked toffee, spiced fruit cake, roasted nuts

MOUThFEEL: Long and rich

THE SELLING POINTS

Profound fortified from one of the world's premier producers

AWARDS: 97pts James Halliday

SUSTAINABILITY: Certified Sustainable, Vegan, Natural Fermentation

PAIRINGS: Dark chocolate, tiramisu, baked alaska

