

# TASTING NOTES



## 2021 ESTATE Grenache Shiraz Mataro

### Vintage Conditions

The region received good early rains in autumn 2020 to replenish some moisture in the profiles, after coming off the driest back to back seasons ever experienced. Winter rains were average and those vineyards that supplemented with irrigation to get moisture to depth set the vines up for spring growth and spring rains were above average. Temperatures in November were above average without any significant weather events paving the way for fantastic fruit set. January 24th was the only day that the Barossa Valley experienced temperature above 40°C. Not surprisingly, the subsequent mild conditions meant bunch and berry size remained average, achieving a great balance between quality and quantity. A vintage that can be described as almost "perfect"

### Vineyard Selection

The grapes for all three varietals were sourced from our estate vineyard. The Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro were picked at different times to maximise varietal expression of each grape variety and natural grape acidity.

### Winemaking

Each grape variety was picked, fermented and matured separately in seasoned French and American oak barrels for nine months before careful barrel selection to maximise expression of each variety. The wine is neither fined, nor filtered.

### Tasting Evaluation

**Colour:** Garnet with a medium core and pale rim

**Aroma:** Complex, savoury aromas of balsamic strawberries, satsuma plum, cherry cola with baking spices (cinnamon, nutmeg, vanilla pod) with short-crust pastry notes.

**Palate:** Sweet red fruits of raspberry, strawberry and blueberry crumble. Fine grain tannins with a Mataro savoury finish.

A perfect partnership of these three grape varieties, enjoy with a wide range of cuisines.

### Technical Notes

Varietal composition: 47% Grenache, 27 % Shiraz, 26% Mataro

Region (GI): Barossa Valley

Winemaker: Jason Barrette

Alcohol: 14.5% alc/vol

pH: 3.63

TA: 7.3g/L

Bottled: 8 August 2024



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