

TASTING NOTES



2024 ESTATE SINGLE VINEYARD GRENACHE ROSÉ

Vintage Conditions

Following Barossa's 2023 vintage where harvest was 3-4 weeks later than the 'new normal,' 2024 came in early and compressed. As we moved from a La Niña to El Niño climatic pattern, winter rainfall in the Barossa was lower than the long-term average. Veraison started in Mid-January to early February during an atypical period where temperatures were quite mild allowing fruit to develop slowly. These conditions allowed sugar, flavour & colour to develop simultaneously which certainly was a precursor for a great year! Early March threw a slight curve ball where overnight temperatures remained above average which led to a rapid increase in sugar levels and brought the vintage on rapidly. Overall a solid vintage with wines with purity and varietal character.

Vineyard Selection

A portion of our Block 3B estate, planted in 1912 was allocated for the production of our "single vineyard" Grenache rosé. The 100+ year old Grenache vines were meticulously maintained with bunch thinning and leaf plucking to ensure maximum varietal flavour intensity and fruit sweetness coupled with natural acidity. Daily sampling leading up to harvest ensured the fruit was picked at optimal ripeness.

Winemaking

Grenache was hand-picked specifically for the production of rose'. The fruit was crushed and macerated for 2.5 hours to increase colour pick-up as well as some natural fruit tannin. The must was then gently pressed to liberate the juice, and then fermented in stainless steel at cool temperatures to retain delicate fruit aromas. The wine post ferment was matured on full lees for 7 months before blending and bottling.

Tasting Evaluation

Colour: Bright, Bronze with copper highlights.

Aroma: Delicate perfume of wild raspberry, rose petal and strawberries & cream with subtle Asian 5 spice.

Palate: Creamy fruit-sweet mid palate with flavours of melon, rhubarb and white cherry. This dry style is textural with fresh crunchy red-apple acidity and delicate fruit phenolics. A rose' to be enjoyed all year round!

Technical Notes

Varietal composition 100% Grenache (planted 1912)

Region (GI): Barossa Valley, single vineyard Estate grown

Winemaker: Jason Barrette

Alcohol: 13.5% alc/vol

pH: 3.25

TA: 5.8g/L

Residual Sugar: 2.76g/L

Bottled : 18 February 2025



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