

TASTING NOTES



2024 ESTATE Grenache Shiraz Mataro

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 lead 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

The grapes for all three varieties 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 deep core.

Aroma: Intense aromas of freshly baked short-crust blueberry pie, savoury aromas of balsamic strawberries, cherry cola with baking spices (cinnamon, nutmeg, vanilla pod).

Palate: Sweet red fruits of raspberry, strawberry and blueberry crumble, enveloped with dusty tannins with a Mataro savoury meaty finish.

A perfect partnership of these three grape varieties, enjoy with hearty dishes such as Coq au Vin or braised short rib.

Technical Notes

Varietal composition: 33.3% Grenache, 33.3 % Shiraz, 33.3% Mataro

Region (GI): Barossa Valley

Winemaker: Jason Barrette

Alcohol: 14.5% alc/vol

pH: 3.58

TA: 6.2g/L

Residual sugar: 0.91g/L

Bottled: 14 August 2026



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