

TASTING NOTES



2026 ESTATE SINGLE VINEYARD GRENACHE ROSÉ

Vintage Conditions

The 2026 Barossa Valley Vintage was a low yielding but high quality season with wines of excellent concentration, balance and aging potential. The season continued the trend of dry years, but careful vineyard management and well-timed weather events helped preserve fruit quality. Healthy growth despite the dry conditions, winter and spring provided enough moisture for even budburst and flowering. Warm conditions throughout summer promoted steady ripening without any prolonged extreme heat, followed by cooler weather allowed fruit to ripen under favourable conditions. Harvest commenced slightly later than average. The vintage produced reds with deep colour and ripe rounded tannins, with the whites having fine aromatics and vibrant acidity.

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 directly pressed to tank with zero maceration time due to the leaching of colour immediately from the skins. The juice was settled, inoculated with a rose' specific yeast and then fermented in stainless steel at cool temperatures to retain delicate fruit aromas. A small proportion was bled off the red Grenache and fermented in old oak barrels to provide complexity. The wine post ferment was matured on full lees for 6 months before blending and bottling.

Tasting Evaluation

Colour: Bright, Coral with copper highlights.

Aroma: Complex perfume of white cherry, pawpaw, rose petal and strawberries & cream with subtle spices of nutmeg, cinnamon, and clove.

Palate: Creamy, mouth filling, fruit-sweet mid palate with flavours of rockmelon, 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: 3.37

TA: 4.8g/L

Residual Sugar: 0.24g/L

Bottled: 28 August 2026



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