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Estate Grenache Mataro 2019



TASTING NOTES

“Semi-translucent crimson red-colour. The bouquet is showing a great integration of earthy, spicy tones and lots of red and blue fruit characters. This blend is fresh and friendly, with a juicy and incredibly vibrant palate where fruit dominates: strawberries, blueberries and pomegranate hints are nicely complemented by spicy undertones.

This is also a wine of great texture, with fine tannins, medium body and a lively acidity. Minimal intervention winemaking, true varietal expression, bloody delicious.”

Vintage	2019
Vineyard	Stone Well
Variety	68% Grenache 32% Mataro
Alcohol	14% ABV
pH	3.45
Titrateable Acidity	5.8 g/L

WINEMAKING

70% Grenache, 30% Mataro with each variety vinified separately and blended before élevage. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked and vinified using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety; early blending allows the 2 flavour profiles to integrate slowly and develop the unique character of the blend. The fruit from our Stone Well vineyard was partially destemmed and crushed to open top fermenters, a small percentage of Grenache (12% of the total blend) was whole bunch fermented to add texture and complexity. The cap was managed by twice daily pump-overs and hand plunging for the Mataro. The wine sees 12 months in a 6600L French oak vat.

VINTAGE REPORT

The 2019 vintage was one of elation as years of sustainable agricultural practice was rewarded with Organic certification by NASAA. The challenging growing season demanded careful vineyard management, with the implementation of under-vine mulching and increased irrigation ensuring the maintenance of healthy canopies, and even ripening throughout.

The extreme heat of both January and February saw early ripening varieties picked in quick succession, before some relief from the heat was offered in March. The bright sunny days and cool nights enhanced flavour development of our Mataro, Grenache and Montepulciano, emphasising motivation to invest into more of these heartier, later ripening varieties in future vineyard developments.

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GM 2018
Grenache, Mataro



VINTAGE REPORT

The 2018 growing season had a reasonable start with adequate rainfall through winter and early spring. Healthy canopies were established across all sites and the dry and warm conditions of late January and February kept weeds and disease pressures to a low. February proved to be a very warm month which stalled ripening and it wasn't until the relief of a mild March that the outlook for a great harvest looked imminent.

The late Indian summer enhanced the quality of late picked varieties such as Mataro, Grenache, Montepulciano and Cabernet. 2018 came off the back of two big vintages so it was no surprise this harvest was likely to be down on average with most crops down by 20-25%. The wines produced were very balanced, had ripe phenolics and display vibrant mid palate weight, a spectacular vintage for good structure and elegance.

WINEMAKING

70% Grenache, 30% Mataro with each variety vinified separately. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked, vinified and matured using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety. The two varieties are from our Stone Well vineyard. The fruit was fully destemmed and crushed to open top fermenters. The cap was managed by twice daily pump-overs and hand plunging for the Mataro. The wine sees 12 months in large format old oak.

TASTING NOTES

This blend of two Barossa classics is intended as a medium bodied wine with incredible texture. An elegant wine showing classic sour cherry, strawberry and earthy spice characteristics on the nose. These notes follow through on the palate; it is a well-balanced wine with fine grained tannins. Complex and delicious.

Vintage	2018
Vineyard	Stone Well
Variety	70% Grenache 30% Mataro
Alcohol	14% ABV
pH	3.67
Titrateable Acidity	5.5 g/L

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GM 2017
Grenache, Mataro



VINTAGE REPORT

Following a wetter than average winter and spring with below average summer temperatures, Barossa's 2017 harvest was three to four weeks later than in recent years.

As the season progressed, later ripening varieties like Mataro and Grenache were tracking four to five weeks later. The mild conditions and healthy soil moisture levels were pertinent for flavour development and conducive to 'filling' out the berries resulting in higher than average yields.

2017 vintage promises to deliver an array of wine styles from 'bright aromatic wines' to 'vibrant, intense, well-structured' and 'dense, concentrated' wines from the earlier-picked vineyards.

WINEMAKING

60% Grenache, 40% Mataro with each variety vinified separately. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked, vinified and matured using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety. The two varieties are from our Stone Well vineyard. 15% of the Grenache is retained as whole bunch, adding complexity and texture. Both varieties see 12 months in old oak; the blend process takes place 10 days prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This blend of two Barossa classics is intended to be a medium bodied wine with delicate flavours and incredible texture. An elegant wine showing classic rose petal, Turkish delight and earthy spice characteristics on the nose. These notes follow through on the palate; it is a well-balanced wine with chewy tannin. Complex and delicious.

Vintage	2017
Vineyard	Stone Well
Variety	60% Grenache 40% Mataro
Alcohol	14% / vol.
pH	3.63
Titrateable Acidity	5.2g / L

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GM 2016
Grenache, Mataro



VINTAGE REPORT

2016 has been phenomenal, despite the dry season, our approach to sustainable wine grape growing has ensured this harvest was overflowing with great fruit quality. The season was challenging, a result of prolonged dry periods and a warm December. We did see a few days above 40°C and then a much needed rain event came late in January. This was the turning point of our vintage, as the exhausted vineyards inhaled the relief of 48mm of rain, the vines were then set, absorbing the light to bring on the flavours and textures, paving the way for another great harvest.

WINEMAKING

60% Grenache, 40% Mataro with each variety vinified separately. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked, vinified and matured using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety. The two vineyards, Gnadenfrei Grenache (15% whole bunch) and Stonewell Mataro were blended 10 days prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This blend of two Barossa classics is intended to be a medium bodied wine with delicate flavours and incredible texture. An elegant, savoury wine showing classic rhubarb and fruit cake spice characteristics. Complex and delicious.

Vintage	2016
Vineyard	Gnadenfrei & Stonewell
Variety	60% Grenache 40% Mataro
Alcohol	14.5% / vol.
pH	3.64
Titrateable Acidity	5.6g / L

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GM 2015
Grenache, Mataro



VINTAGE REPORT

2015 Growing Season experienced so many sequential days of perfect grape growing weather and has been one of the earliest harvests on record. Plentiful winter rains in

2014 were vital for the 2015 harvest. Large canopies, moderate yields and ideal ripening conditions encouraged an earlier than usual harvest free of disease.

The early harvested wines from 2015 sustained great natural acidity, ripe tannins with bright fruit flavours and spice. Another season remarkable for delivering naturally

balanced wines without testing alcohols nor over ripe flavours. A very good vintage with many wines likely to demonstrate great cellaring potential.

WINEMAKING

60% Grenache, 40% Mataro with each variety vinified separately. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked, vinified and matured using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety. The final blend for this wine is only assembled 3 weeks prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This blend of two Barossa classics is intended to be a medium bodied wine with delicate flavours and incredible texture. An elegant, savoury wine showing classic rhubarb and turkish delight characteristics. Soft, smooth silky tannins with a hint of marmalade.

Vintage	2015
Vineyard	Stonewell
Variety	60% Grenache 40% Mataro
Alcohol	14.5% / vol.
pH	3.53
Titrateable Acidity	5.7g / L
RRP	\$25

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GM 2014



VINTAGE REPORT

The wines produced from the vintage of 2014 are excellent. The weather conditions during spring and early summer were dry and above average heat degree-days regulated shoot growth and berry development. By mid February and well into veraison, soil moisture levels were extremely low but a record-breaking rain event replenished the soils. The weather conditions that followed were ideal. 'Balanced' probably best describes most wines from our harvest this year.

WINEMAKING

70% Grenache, 30% Mataro with each variety vinified separately. This process is to ensure each wine component is picked, vinified and matured using techniques tailored to the specific grape variety. Of the 70% Grenache, 50% is a whole bunch ferment. The final blend for this wine is only assembled 3 weeks prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This blend of two Barossa classics is intended to be a medium bodied wine with delicate flavours and incredible texture. Red fruit aromas don't disappoint on the palate, raspberries and strawberries up front are interwoven with spice and soft savoury tannins. A very smooth, fruit driven, soft easy drinking style. It's a wine to share.

Vintage	2014
Vineyard	Stonewell
Variety	70% Grenache 30% Mataro
Alcohol	14.5% / vol.
pH	3.52
Titrateable Acidity	5.8g / L
RRP	\$25