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BAROSSA

2020 OLD VINE

Grenache

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Luckily, I have access to very small parcels of fruit from old, dry-grown, hand-pruned and picked vineyards of up to 160 years of age.

I decided early that making a Grenache the way Barossan families made table wines many generations ago would honour the years of back-breaking work required for keeping the vineyards feasible and sustainable.

Whole-bunch ferments, no crushing or temperature control, natural yeasts, hand plunged and foot trodden. Racked once during elevage of 12 months in larger barrels and always a small addition of old vine mataro for balance. Bottled unfined under Stelvin capsule. *Alex Head*



RAINFALL:	321ml (April '19-March 20 avg. 471ml)
VINEYARD:	Krondorf at 240m elevation (100% Barossa Valley)
VARIETAL:	92% Grenache, 8% Mataro
VINE AGE:	80 years
SOIL/ROCK:	Red/brown cracking clay
AVG. YIELD:	1.5t/a or 27hl/h
PRODUCTION:	300 cases
VINIFICATION:	2t open top, indigenous yeast, two week ferment, hand-plunging & pumpover twice daily
MATURATION:	On fine lees, Neutral French oak, mix of 600L & 500L
BOTTLING:	March 21, minimal So2
ACIDITY:	5.6g/l
ALCOHOL:	14.4%

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