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2019 HEAD 'THE BLONDE"

Shiraz

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Head Wines draws from a diverse range of Shiraz vineyards in the Barossa and Eden Valleys. To be considered part of 'The Blonde' a vineyard must perform amongst the top few vineyards and have well defined perfume, texture and supple tannins.

The base Shiraz vineyard for 'The Blonde' is planted in the 'Stone Well' parish on a small 280m rise below the western ridge of the Barossa Valley comprising a myriad of soil and rock types including red clays, sands and a deep limestone base (blonde in colour).

A small amount of Shiraz was also used from a dry grown vineyard at Menglers Hill on sandy, decomposed granite to bring balance to the wine.

It is these unique rocks and soils that help produce riper fruited wine than surrounding vineyards, while still retaining acidity due to high altitude and limestone content in the soil. *Alex Head*

95 Pts Huon Hooke
The Real Review

96 Pts James Suckling

94+ Pts Gary Walsh
The Wine Front



RAINFALL:	315ml (April '18-March '19 avg. 474ml)
VINEYARD:	80% Stone Well at 280m 20% Menglers Hill at 450m
VARIETAL:	100% Shiraz (1654 clone)
VINE AGE:	Average 30 years
SOIL/ROCK:	Sandy loam and scattered red clay over deep limestone, decomposed granite.
AVG. YIELD:	2.0t/a or 38hl/h
PRODUCTION:	300 cases
VINIFICATION:	2-5t open top stainless steel, 20% whole bunch, indigenous yeast, two week ferment, hand-plunging & pumpover twice daily
MATURATION:	On fine lees, 30% new French oak mix of 228L & 500L
BOTTLING:	June 20, minimal So2, unfined & unfiltered
ACIDITY:	6.3 g/l
ALCOHOL:	14.4%