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2019 HEAD 'THE BRUNETTE"

Shiraz

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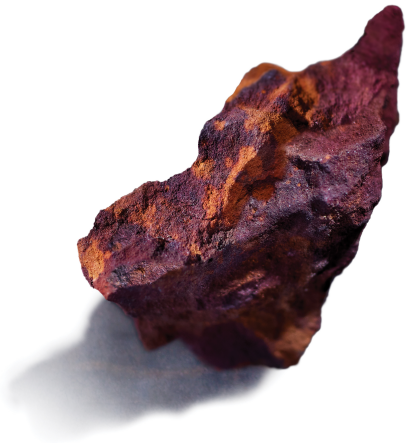


The Brunette will always represent the 'dark-side'of Shiraz in the Barossa. We look to sites that will give us more structure, power and comfort for the traditional Barossa Shiraz drinker. The wine is given every opportunity to become a 'Vin-de Garde' or 'cellaring style'. The reward will come with patience.

From 2019 the base shiraz comes from a vineyard planted circa 1940, in the Flaxman Valley at 480m altitude. The vineyard has a perfect easterly aspect and gradient to catch the morning sun and is shaded from the late heat of the day. The soils are lean orange clays with mixed ironstone and some scattered quartz, producing optimum conditions for dark, savoury fruits and fine, structured tannins.
Alex Head

95 Pts — Huon Hooke
The Real Review

94 Pts — Gary Walsh
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RAINFALL:	421ml (April '17-March '18 avg. 468ml)
VINEYARD:	Flaxman Valley at 480m elevation Farmed sustainably with organic principles
VARIETAL:	100% Shiraz (1654 clone)
VINE AGE:	80 years
SOIL/ROCK:	Red clay, quartz & ironstone
AVG. YIELD:	1.0t/a or 17hl/h
PRODUCTION:	150 cases
VINIFICATION:	2t open top stainless Steel, indigenous yeast, 20% stem retention, two week ferment, hand-plunging & pumpover twice daily
MATURATION:	On fine lees, 30% new French 228L
BOTTLING:	June 20, minimal So2, unfined
ACIDITY:	5.9g/l
ALCOHOL:	14.5%

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