



JOHN DUVAL ANNEXUS MATARO 2017

- REGION:** Barossa Valley
- VARIETIES:** Mataro was sourced from a single dry grown centenarian vineyard in the Light Pass subdistrict of the Barossa Valley.
- WINEMAKING:** Fermentation occurred in a small open top stainless-steel fermenter.
- OAK MATURATION:** 100% barrel matured for 15 months, in mainly older French oak hogsheads (300 litres).
- TECHNICAL NOTES:** Alcohol 13.5%
pH 3.55
TA 7.1 g/l
- STYLE:** The inspiration from the Barossa's best old vine Mataro vineyards created the inaugural Annexus Mataro. It is a small selection from low yielding, dry grown Centenarian vines in Light Pass, made only in the best years.
- VINTAGE:** The growing season was characterised by plentiful early rains and then record rainfall for September of 162 mm, welcome relief after a few lean years. Summer saw very few extreme heat days, with temperatures being below the long-term average. These conditions produced a later start to vintage, and flavour coming in at lower Baume. This is a vintage of fruit brightness, lovely supporting acidity and softer tannins.
- TASTING:**
- Colour:** Vibrant purple red.
- Nose:** Savoury, spicy fruit aromatics, with lifted red cherry and anise supported by hints of earth, and leather.
- Palate:** Medium bodied, showing a vibrant and fresh core of bramble, mulberry and plum fruit. Bright acidity and poised tannins round out the sleek-textured, moreish finish.



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