

J O H N
D U V A L
W I N E S

2021 ANNEXUS GRENACHE

BACKGROUND

Whilst Shiraz may have played a leading role in John Duval's winemaking career, he has long admired the qualities of Barossa Grenache. Through long term relationships with local grape growing families, we are able to source Grenache from a priceless resource of old vineyards to contribute to our Plexus red blend. In the very best years, parcels of the most exceptional wines are reserved for Annexus Grenache, with the intention of showcasing the best Grenache from an exceptional vintage, sourced from old and ancestor Barossa vines.

VINTAGE

With better winter rains, and a perfectly timed 30mm event at the start of February, we were rewarded with better crops and berry size after a few drought-affected lean years. Conditions through late February, March and April could only be described as perfect with mild to warm days with no heat spikes, combined with cool nights. This meant for a long even ripening period and a lovely pace to the vintage. 2021 will be remembered as an exceptional Barossa vintage.

VINEYARD

This Grenache was sourced from solely from the low yielding ancestor vineyard over 150 years old in Eden Valley

WINEMAKING

Fermentation occurred in a small, open top fermenters, incorporating a small number of whole bunches to accentuate Grenache's savoury characters. The wine was barrel matured for 14 months in seasoned French oak hogsheads. 100 cases made.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

NOSE: Bright and juicy raspberry, red cherry, and floral top notes with a core of savoury spice & earthen notes.

PALATE: Generous layers of graceful red fruits, plenty of savoury earthy spice, round and juicy tannins.



TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alc: 14.5% • pH: 3.48 • TA: 6.3 g/L

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