

SEMILLON PROJECT

Semillon ~ Ceramic Egg

About

Marcus Schulz grows one of the very last remaining 'Madeira' clone Semillon vineyards in the famed Ebenezer region of the Northern Barossa. The clone exhibits a unique pink hue in its skin when fully ripe not seen in other clones of Semillon. It has been a very important variant throughout the history of Barossan viticulture and winemaking.

Teaming up with Christa Deans who has worked with these grapes for decades we implemented a few alternative fermentation techniques to do something a bit different and see what differences we might see. The grapes were picked at optimum ripeness and delivered as one load before Christa separated them into their individual ferments.

Tasting Note

Following the success of our 2017 'Ceramic Egg Grenache' we decided to try it with the Semillon. De-stemmed only, the grapes were fermented on skins and matured in the Egg for 3 months – still on the skins. The ancient design of the egg and the extended skin contact have delivered a wonderfully textural wine. Bottled at 3 months un-fined and unfiltered.

Region/Sub Region: 100% Barossa Valley/Ebenezer

Grape Variety: 100% Semillon

Alcohol: 11.0%

Production: 450 bottles

Cellaring: 2-3 years

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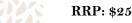
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