

Hayes Family Wines is a small-scale, family owned and run wine producer located in Stone Well in the heart of the Barossa Valley. Our multi generation vineyards have an enviable track record of producing some of the region's finest wines. Our Estate Vineyards are Certified Organic. Our wines are made with thought, using organic, sustainable and traditional low-intervention practices, whilst embracing innovation. We have an uncompromising focus on producing the best wines possible; wines that display fruit purity, balance and ageability.

2019 BAROSSA VALLEY ROUGE

GROWING SEASON

The 2019 Barossa Valley vintage is shaping up to be a stand-out, with very high quality across the board but with significantly below average yields. The growing season started dry and stayed that way. In September, the Barossa Valley experienced below average maximum temperatures which delayed budburst and early vine growth. Frost was a constant threat with two bad frosts in our Ebenezer vineyards in late September and early November. Stone Well escaped the frost. If the frosts and dry conditions were not enough, the flowering period was windy and unsettled, and a hailstorm on 22 November topped it all off. By the end of March all our Barossa Valley grapes were harvested – one of the earliest on record. Resulting yields were variable; in most vineyards below average, in many well below. The good news is that flavours and colours (in reds) and overall quality is exceptional. A truly great Barossa Vintage in the making.

TASTING NOTE

A blend of Old Vine Shiraz and Mataro grown on our Certified Organic home vineyard in Stone Well on the Western Ridge of the Barossa Valley. Fermented in a 675L Ceramic Egg with no additions. Matured for a further 5 months on skins in the Egg, before being bottled in late September 2019.

A 'natural' wine made with no additions that carries the hallmarks of our special patch of old vines in Stone Well. This wine is bright, lifted red and blueberries, light to medium bodied pallet supported by fine tannins. A wine that is drinking very well on release.

Artwork 'Rockpool Curiosity' by Stuart Hoerisch, painted 2017

SPECIFICATIONS

Region: Barossa Valley

Sub Region: Stone Well

Variety: Shiraz, Mataro

Alcohol: 13.8%

Production: 400 bottles

Cellaring: Drink now or a few years

Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt



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