

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 and Winery are Certified Organic and Certified Sustainable. 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.

# **2021 KOONUNGA ANCESTOR VINE SHIRAZ**

## **GROWING SEASON**

The 2021 Barossa Valley vintage will be remembered as an almost faultless season after the challenging years that preceded it. Good spring rains meant that for the first time in many years we entered the growing season with good soil moisture levels. A warm dry growing season followed, with balanced and healthy canopies producing an average crop of extremely high quality fruit. Certainly the best in a decade, maybe longer. 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

Our Single Block Koonunga Ancestor Vine Shiraz from the 2021 vintage comes from our Ancestor Shiraz block in Koonunga in the Northern reaches of the Barossa Valley. Now part of the extensive Hoffmann Family portfolio, this block was thought to have been planted in the 1860s or 1870s but no formal records exist.

The wine has all the hallmarks of a Northern Barossa Shiraz in an excellent season - bright purple red hue, powerful black and blue fruits, full bodied, the dense fruit balanced by abundant natural tannins. An incredible wine from a wonderful season. The ancestor vines made the most of the season. This wine is well integrated already but has ample tannin to carry it forward for many years to come. A cellaring special!

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Region: Barossa Valley District: Koonunga Variety: Shiraz Alcohol: 14.8% Production: 1800 bottles Cellaring: 10 years + Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt RRP: \$150

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