

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 THE MARCUS 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

The Marcus Shiraz is named after my good friend, Marcus Schulz, the 5th generation of the Schulz Family that has grown grapes on the family property in Ebenezer in the Barossa's Northern reaches. Marcus has been a great mentor for me from the earliest times. Marcus is known for loving the rich powerful Shiraz that has made the Barossa famous.

Our Single Block 'The Marcus' Shiraz from the exceptional 2021 vintage comes from Block 15 of the famed Schulz Home Vineyard in the Ebenezer sub-region of the northern Barossa. The soil in this section of the vineyard is sand over red clay. Block 15 is a truly historic Barossa Block having been farmed by the Schulz generations for generations and Marcus personally for almost 70 years.

The wine has all the hallmarks of a Northern Barossa shiraz grown on in an exceptional vintage - bright purple red hue, powerful black and blue fruits, unapologetically full bodied, the dense rich fruit balanced by abundant natural tannins. This wine is already drinking well but has ample structure to improve for many years to come.

### SPECIFICATIONS

Region: Barossa Valley  
District: Ebenezer  
Variety: Shiraz  
Alcohol: 15.0%  
Production: 800 bottles  
Cellaring: 10 years +  
Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt  
RRP: \$90



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