

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.

# 2022 BAROSSA VALLEY SHIRAZ

#### **GROWING SEASON**

The 2022 Barossa Valley vintage will be remembered as the second almost faultless season in a row after an equally impressive although different 2021 vintage. Both Vintages were cool, the coolest since 2002. Good spring rains meant that 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.

A pigeon pair, perhaps the best two since 1990/1991 if not longer. The good news is that flavours and colours (in reds) and the vibrancy and lift in the whites are excellent. Overall quality is exceptional. Another extremely good Barossa vintage in the making.

### TASTING NOTE

Shiraz sourced from vineyards across the Barossa Valley, from Williamstown in the South, Stone Well in the West and Ebenezer and Koonunga in the North. Handpicked, hand sorted, de-stemmed, and open fermented before spending 14 days on skins. Matured for 16 months in a blend of new and second use French oak before being bottled in October 2023.

Deep bright red tinged with purple. Fruit driven, blackberry plummy fruit supported by powerful Northern Barossa Tannins and natural acidity. This wine is drinking beautifully now but will improve for many years. Classic Barossa from a wonderful vintage year.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Region: Barossa Valley

District: Ebenezer, Koonunga, Stone Well, Williamstown

Variety: 100% Barossa Valley Shiraz

Alcohol: 14.5% Cellaring: 10+ years

Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt

RRP: \$38

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