

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 ESTATE BLOCK 8 'FIELD BLEND'**

### **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 n the whites are incredible. Overall quality is exceptional. Another extremely good Barossa vintage in the making.

### TASTING NOTE

Block 8 of our Estate Vineyard is consists of interplanted Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro vines. This is an old block. The wine is Certified Organic and Certified Sustainable. This is a true field blend, picked, fermented and aged as a blend of the 3 red varieties that we grow in Stone Well. Matured for 9 months in seasoned 225L French oak barriques previously used for our shiraz, before being bottled in December 2022.

A classic Barossa blend that carries the hallmarks of our special patch of old vines in Stone Well. A wine that carries the unique characteristics of our site, old vines, and the vintage year. This wine is bright, lifted florals, red fruits, with a medium bodied pallet supported by fine tannins. A wine that is drinking very well on release and will continue to do so for many years.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Region: Barossa Valley District: Stone Well Variety: Grenache, Mataro, Shiraz Alcohol: 14.5% Production: 1,100 bottles Cellaring: 5 years + Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt RRP: \$45

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