

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 PRAYER GARDEN GRENACHE

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 incredible. Overall quality is exceptional. Another extremely good Barossa vintage in the making.

TASTING NOTE

The Prayer Garden is a special place, dry grown very old bush vines in Ebenezer in the Northern Barossa Valley. Like its neighbouring Glengrae, the Prayer Garden is a lost block of a mere 2 acres planted generations ago. Traditionally farmed with no access to supplementary water, highly exposed and subject to frost more years than not.

Known as the Prayer Garden as a result of the short stature of the vines, kneeling the preferred method of approaching the vines whether picking or pruning. Hard work, but worth every effort. Hand picked late in the season the fruit was de-stemmed before being fermented for almost 20 days on skins before being transferred to seasoned puncheons for maturation. The resulting wine is highly perfumed, medium bodied. Beautifully balanced, red fruits, fine tannin and acid, all in balance. Wonderful grenache.

SPECIFICATIONS

Region: Barossa Valley
District: Ebenezer
Variety: Grenache
Alcohol: 14.5%
Production: 1200 bottles
Cellaring: 5 years+
Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt
RRP: \$45



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