

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 SMART CLARENDON GRENACHE

### GROWING SEASON

The 2022 McLaren Vale vintage like the Barossa further north will be remembered as a tremendous year, the second in a row after an equally impressive although different 2021 vintage. Both Vintages were cool, but 2022 was cooler and later, 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 South Australian vintage in the making.

### TASTING NOTE

The 2022 Smart Grenache was sourced from the very old Smart Family Vineyard in Clarendon, McLaren Vale. This vineyard was first planted in 1922 exclusively to bush vine grenache. We love McLaren Vale Grenache, a great counter balance to the styles we grow in the Barossa some 70kms North.

This wine carries tremendous balance, highly perfumed and aromatic, but with a savoury edge that differentiates from the fruit styles we see further north in the Barossa. Medium bodied with a fine line of acid that characterises Clarendon in a cool season. This wine is sure to cellar well and improve for many years.

### SPECIFICATIONS

Region: McLaren Vale  
District: Clarendon  
Variety: Grenache  
Alcohol: 14.5%  
Production: 670 bottles  
Cellaring: 10 years +  
Winemaker: Andrew Seppelt



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