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Single Vineyard Barossa Valley Shiraz

GRAPES

100% Shiraz

VINTAGE

2016

ORIGIN OF GRAPES

Marananga, Barossa Valley, South Australia.

VINIFICATION

Following a very dry spring, the 2016 harvest in Marananga was an early one. One block was hand harvested on the 20 February and the adjacent block three days later. Fruit was cold soaked for three days and then allowed to warm naturally until the start of fermentation, which took place in open fermenters on skins for 12 days at 18-22°C. Gentle pressing off skins was done using an airbag press before malolactic fermentation and maturation in oak for 18 months. The oak consisted of 35% new with one large format French oak vat, and the balance in French and American oak hogsheads.

COLOUR

Deep garnet with a youthful violet hue.

NOSE

Fresh with concentrated aromas of strawberries and other red fruits with underlying mineral notes.

PALATE

A medium bodied wine, but still with distinctive power and concentration of refined primary fruits. Fantastic lively and textural tannins supporting the fruit right through to the finish.

FOOD MATCH

Well suited to a rare roasted saddle of venison or try with a premium cut of rare dry aged beef. Also complements a good vintage cheddar.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol - 14.5% pH - 3.65 Acid - 6.7g/L Sugar - Dry

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