HILLSIDE VINEYARD GRENACHE

2018







GRAPES GROWN AT OUR HISTORIC
HILLSIDE PROPERTY, LOCATED IN THE
SOUTHERLY BAROSSA SUB-REGION OF
LYNDOCH, ARE TYPIFIED BY LIFTED
AROMATICS AND FINE TANNINS,
PROVIDING US EACH YEAR WITH
EXCEPTIONAL FRAGRANCE, RICHNESS
AND TEXTURE

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This exceptional single vineyard Grenache comes from the most southerly owned Torbreck vineyard in the Barossa Valley, The Hillside Vineyard located just north of the township of Lyndoch on the gentle westerly facing high slopes. The soil composition comprises of mostly dark red clay scattered with shale, quartzite and ironstone. These dry grown bush vines are always low yielding and consistently produce outstanding fruit.

VARIETY: 100% Grenache

VINEYARD: Hillside Vineyard Grenache block

planted in 1949

SUB-REGION: Lyndoch

HARVEST: 4th April 2018

MATURATION: 18 months in a 2400L French oak

foudre

ANALYSIS: Alc/Vol 15%

pH 3.56 Acidity 5.40 g/L

COLOUR: Crimson

AROMA: Lifted red fruit aromas such as red

currants, pomegranate and aniseed. Hints of earth and clove balances the

savoury tones.

PALATE: Medium –bodied, textural with long

acid spine balanced by tight and long

yet refined tannins

CELLAR: 7 to 10 years

VINTAGE

An above average winter rainfall led into a below average spring and summer rainfall, producing small bunches and small berries, leading to a reduced yield. Quality was certainly high, particular amongst our red varieties of Shiraz, Grenache and Mataro. 2018 wines will be remembered for their impressive colour, structure and longevity.

TASTING

This unique parcel has all the bright, opulent fruit characteristics that we look for in dry grown Grenache combined with plush red fruits, and seamless tannin profile due to a partial whole-bunch fermentation. The rich, luxuriant fruit was further enhanced by barrel maturation in a second fill 2400 litre 'Boutes' French oak foudre barrel, which perfectly balances the expressive fruit profile and the savoury, old world like characters from this vineyard.