# 2021 GLAETZER WALLACE



Glaetzer Wallace takes on the traditional Barossa Valley blend of Shiraz and Grenache with a modern twist. The Shiraz brings intensity, depth and body to the wine and the Grenache adds a softness and vibrant juiciness.

#### Variety:

84% Shiraz / 16% Grenache

## Vineyards:

Exceptional old vine fruit was sourced from the famed Ebenezer sub-district at the northern tip of the Barossa Valley.

Vine age: 50—80 year old Shiraz and 50—100 year old Grenache.

Yield: 3.5 tonnes per hectare.

### **Vintage Conditions:**

Good rainfall towards the end of Spring and cooler temperatures over the Summer led to excellent soil moisture and vine health over the growing period. La Nina did not bring rain to the Valley in late Summer or Autumn with rainfall being 40% below average. These mild and dry conditions were excellent for flowering, bud burst and veraison. As such, yields are much higher than the disappointingly small 2020 and quality is of a very high standard. The long "Indian Summer' gave great ripeness and phenolic concentration.

#### Vinification:

Old vine Barossa Grenache has a liveliness and structure that does not benefit from oak maturation—oak contact was thus minimised for the Grenache component to preserve the purity and animation of the fruit. The Shiraz was matured for 16 months in 2—3 year old oak hogshead barrels (80% French / 20% American).

# **Tasting Notes**

**Colour:** Medium to deep garnet with a peripheral suggestion of purple on the rim.

**Aroma:** An enticing nose of dark plum, raspberry and Provencal lavender with hints of anise and pepper grinder.

**Palate:** Black fruits dominate with touches of pepper and clear blackcurrant. Firm and savoury tannins that remain rounded balance with the brightness on the finish.

**Peak Drinking:** A wine to enjoy in its youth that will also develop additional complexity for up to 8—10 years of cellaring.

**Wine Analysis** 

Alcohol 14.5% Total Acidity 6.5g/l pH 3.54 Residual Sugar 0.53 g/l