

2021 GLAETZER BISHOP



Glaetzer Bishop is a celebration of Barossa Shiraz that is elegantly structured with a long finish.

Variety:

100% Shiraz

Vineyards:

Exceptional old vine fruit was sourced from the famed Ebenezer sub district at the northern tip of the Barossa Valley. Vine age 35—120 years old. Yield 3 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:

Fermented in 1 and 2 tonne open fermenters. Extended maceration was employed to enable good tannin development so the wine is soft and approachable early. Matured for 16 months in a mix of 40% new oak and 60% 2—3 year old oak hogshead barrels (90% French / 10% American).

Tasting Notes

Colour: Vibrant dark red with purple hues.

Aroma: Subtle yet generous with black cherries and dried spice.

Palate: Another expressive and approachable vintage for Bishop. It is both structured and layered and enjoys a smooth and supple texture. Flavours of black cherry, raspberry, olive and black pepper are supported by balancing tannin. It is mouth-filling and persistent on the finish.

Peak Drinking: Great drinking now but this wine will also benefit from up to 10 - 15 years of careful cellaring.

Wine Analysis

Alcohol 14.5%
Total Acidity 6.6g/l
pH 3.47
Residual Sugar 0.53g/l