

# 2018 MIXED BY D J DEADLY TURNTABLE GRENACHE SHIRAZ MATARO

### **VINTAGE**

Not sure if there is anything to it but they say the even years are the best in the Barossa and 2018 will rate as a classic vintage. With just below average rainfall, the crops were only slightly down on five year average. With the medium crop levels and good vineyard management, the warm days and cool nights have resulted in an almost perfect vintage. The flavours are ripe and succulent with good acid and fine tannins.

### **VINEYARDS**

The DJ Deadly Grenache Shiraz Mataro was picked from multiple vineyard sites. The Shiraz was picked from two premium vineyard sites in the Barossa some from the Ebeneezer district and also from our estate vineyards near Angaston (Eden Valley). These batches giving the wine its bright fruit and mid palate weight. The Grenache and Mataro come from a vineyard at the Southern end of the Barossa which is on classic Grenache and Mataro soils, sandy loam over limestone These types of soils produce wines that have good fruit and awesome depth and texture.

# WINEMAKING

Each of the varieties are vinified and matured in barrel separately so the best blend can be composed and increasing overall complexity. All batches of fruit had wild fermentation, with the Grenache spending another month on skins, prior to being pressed, to add to the textural influence on the blend. The wine is then matured in used Hogshead barrels for twelve months. The oak is used for softening and making the wine more approachable, no oak characters are sought. The wine naturally clarifies, so the wine is bottled without filtration. We aim to make a bright fruited, drinkable wine with enough flavour and character to keep the drinker interested.

# **TASTING NOTES**

The blend is 54% Grenache, 24% Shiraz and 22% Mataro. The colour is mid red, with the nose having lifted cherry ripe fruit and some attractive sweet spice characters. The medium bodied palate has lovely sweet berry fruit and plums. There is also complexity added by fish sauce, bbq meats and spicey notes. The palate flows with good fruit, savoury notes and fine grained tannins. There is a lovely length of savoury fruit, combined with the overall balance of the wine, makes the wine very approachable and drinkable. Drink young while it is vibrant and fresh but will age in the medium term for up to seven years.

## **TECHNICAL SPECS**

pH - 3.40 TA - 6.8g/L G & F - 0.69g/L Alc - 14.5%

