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2017 Schwarz Wine Co Thiele Road Grenache

Varieties: 100% Grenache

Vineyards:

The Thiele Road Grenache vineyard was planted in 1941 and is owned by the Schwarz Family, Bethany

Alcohol: 14.3%

Production: 280 dozen bottled 21 September 2018

Yeast: Wild

Oak: 90 % seasoned French oak puncheons

Winemaking:

First pick 26 March 2017, 20% whole bunch open fermenter, wild yeast, gentle pump overs occur to not extract too much from the grapes early allowing extended maceration, foot stomped towards the end of fermentation, on skins 16 days, basket pressed into old French Puncheons and small tank.

Second pick 6 April 2017, 15% whole bunch and treated similar to the above, 8 days on skins, basket pressed into old French Puncheons and small tank.

Blended a small portion to tank February 2018 the remainder stayed in Puncheon until final blending August 2018

Tasting note:

This is Grenache built with the fragrance and sweet perfume of Grenache put on a pedestal, restrained yet charismatic, ethereal yet generous. Dried cranberry, strawberry pulp and ripe red cherries mix under an air of alpine mint and star anise. The palate is juicy and plump with a structural hold of chewy red licorice.

Reviews:

Huon Hooke (The Real Review) – 95 points

