
SCHWARZ WINE CO.

Schwarz Meta Shiraz

Vintage: 2019

Varieties: Shiraz 100%

Region: Barossa Valley

The Meta Shiraz is a selection of vineyards that typically come from rocky or hard growing soils. This gives the fruit (and therefore the wine) a brighter, blue fruited and more tightly tannic style.

Alcohol: 14.2%

Production: 393 dozen bottled 19 June 2020

Oak: French

Winemaking:

The first pick for this vintage was from the Stonewell vineyard on 20th February 2019 with the final pick from Eden Valley on 11th March 2019.

The fruit for this wine was grown over four sub regions in the Barossa & Eden Valley with Stonewell as the most prominent sub region.

The fruit was sourced from five growers: from vineyards in Stonewell, Light Pass, Hallett Valley & Eden Valley. The oldest vineyard used in the Meta Shiraz is from the Light Pass vineyard at 90 years of age.

Individual parcels are predominantly handpicked with whole bunch portions used according to the desired outcome. In total, 26% of the wine was whole bunch. (bunches of grapes added to the fermentation tank without the berries removed from the stalk. This process assists with tannin structure as the stalks break down in the fermentation process)

All parcels were fermented in small open fermenters, with wild yeast (naturally occurring yeast) carrying out the duties. Soft pump overs, hand plunges and foot stomping was carried out as required. Parcels were pressed and then transferred to French oak puncheons and hogsheads for maturation. (14% of the blend was matured in new French oak) Final blending occurred in May 2020.

A vegan friendly wine with no fining or filtration.

Tasting note:

Barossa Shiraz playing to the tune of Northern Rhone Valley. This leads with savoury spices, soy, salted caramel and blackberries that opens out to black cherry and a little sambuca. Fascinating palate, granular nuances and stacks of fruit, but it's light on its feet and ready for action. It feels compact. It feels good. Like it's only going to show you everything if you look for it. A thinking wine.

Tasting notes written by Christian Canala at Vinify Wine Co

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