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### Schwarz 'The Grower' Grenache Shiraz Mataro (GSM)

**Vintage:** 2019

**Varieties:** Grenache 52% Shiraz 42% Mataro 5%

**Region:** Barossa Valley

The fruit for this wine was grown over seven sub regions in the Barossa Valley; from Moppa in the north to Hallett's Valley in the south with Bethany as the dominant sub region. The fruit was sourced from 13 growers from vineyards in Bethany, Stockwell, Moppa, Marananga, Light Pass & Stonewell.

**Alcohol:** 14.3%

**Production:** 979 dozen bottled 3 July 2020

**Winemaking:**

The fruit was harvested dependant on ripeness and flavour with the Grenache and Mataro parcels all hand-picked. All fruit was fermented in small, open top fermenters for approximately 8-15 days with wild yeast (naturally occurring yeast from the vineyard) Pump overs, hand plunging, and foot stomping was carried out as required.

25% of the blend is 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) The ferments were then softly pressed and kept separately until final blending late April 2020. 60% of the blend was matured in small tanks, maintaining the freshness and vibrancy of the wine, with the remaining parcels matured in French oak puncheons and hogsheads.

**Tasting note:**

A deep and purposeful nose, opening with cherry liqueur, licorice and violet with dustings of cocoa powder and a little brambly fruit. Mataro plays a supporting role, injecting a little grunty savouriness that's in tune with the overall supple nature of this year's GSM. The palate is all supple tannins, perky fruit flavour and signs off with a little marzipan kiss

*\*Tasting notes written by Christian Canala at Vinify Wine Co\**

**Reviews & awards:**

Gold Medal (95 points) – 2020 Barossa Wine Show

4 Stars (91 points)- Nick Stock, James Suckling

