



Hentley Farm

Barossa Valley
Wines

2012 The Creation

Each year our winemaker, Andrew Quin, creates a small production and members only single-block wine that he feels best exemplifies the influence of our unique and diverse site conditions...

Variety

100% Shiraz

Vineyard

The fruit for this wine was sourced from a small patch of vineyard between the winery and the cellar door called D4. With a cracking vertical soil unique to this patch and a North - South orientation this block was planted in 2001 using an old Grange clone and produces one of the most naturally balanced canopies on our property.

Vintage

2012 - Great winter rainfall left the soil profile full which allowed the vines to have a great start to the growing season ahead with a lush and vibrant canopy. Fantastic climatic conditions were the key to the 2012 vintage. Mild days and cool nights with timely rainfall events were the highlight.

Area: 0.5ha

Yield 3.5 t/ha

Harvested : February 27th 2012

Winemaking

The fruit was crushed and destemmed to an 8 day fermentation with regular hand plunging to ensure full extraction of colour and tannin. Once fermentation was complete the wine stayed on skins for another 28 days until complete submersion of cap. The wine was then basket pressed into a combination of new (70%) and old (30%) French barrels where it underwent natural malolactic fermentation. The wine was then racked off lees and returned to oak to mature for a total of 22 months. - Winemaker, Andrew Quin

Profile

Stewed fruits of plum, quince and rhubarb lead an otherwise savoury aromatic with specifics of anise, fresh nutmeg, cumin, dehydrated mushroom and graphite. Soft yet grippy/earthy tannins fill the entire palate and combine with a savoury profile that show off the benefits of extended maceration.

Bottled: February 2014

Drink: now - 2032

Analysis: Alcohol	15.0%	Acid	7.1	pH	3.7
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Reviews & Accolades

2012 - 97 points James Halliday

2011 - 96 points James Halliday

2010 - 95 points James Halliday

2009 - 96 points James Halliday, Museum Release - 98 points James Halliday 2015

2009 - 95 points Wine Advocate



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