

The KENNEDY is a classic blend of old vine Barossa Valley Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvedre varieties. Named as a tribute to the legendary Barossa Vigneron's who pioneered the planting of the old treasured vineyards, which the Barossa enjoys today. The Grenache fruit is the 'soul' of this blend and is from an exceptionally low yielding 50+ year-old Light Pass Vineyard. Originally planted by the Kennedy Family, with ownership eventually being passed onto the charismatic Leo 'Joe' KENNEDY who nurtured the vines for many years, selling his prized fruit to local winemakers.

## 2022 KENNEDY Barossa Valley Grenache Shiraz Mourvedre

#### Wine Description

Deep crimson in colour this wine has vibrant aromas of raspberries that lead to alluring and complex spice and plum characters. The palate displays concentrated red fruit characters together with complementing sweet spice flavours. Soft and velvety tannins persist the length of the palate that finishes with a subtle savoury nuance.

### Winemaking

All three varieties were hand harvested and fermented separately. To promote colour, tannin and flavour extraction the three parcels were cold soaked for a short period prior to warming for fermentation. Slow, cool natural ferments ensured fruit retention and mid palate richness. Post ferment the Grenache and Mourvedre vessels were soaked further on skins for an additional 11 days before being pressed straight to large oak puncheons for maturation. These parcels were matured in oak for 12 months with minimal intrusion, before being blended, naturally clarified and then bottled.

#### Vineyard | Region

Grenache 90+ year-old vines | Trial Hill sub-region, Barossa Valley Grenache 90+ year-old vines | Rowland Flat sub-region, Barossa Valley Grenache 60+ year-old vines | Light Pass sub-region, Barossa Valley Grenache 45+ year-old vines | Nuriootpa sub-region, Barossa Valley Shiraz 60+ year-old vines | Nuriootpa sub-region, Barossa Valley Shiraz 30 year-old vines | Kalimna sub-region, Barossa Valley Mourvedre 50 year-old vines | Light Pass sub-region, Barossa Valley

#### **Harvest Date**

Grenache 26<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 Shiraz 14<sup>th</sup> March – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022 Mourvedre 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022

#### Viold

Grenache 1.5 – 1.75 t/acre, Shiraz 1.0 – 1.5 t/acre, Mourvedre 1.25 t/acre

#### **Wine Details**

Alcohol: 14.0% Grenache 56%, Shiraz 25%, Mourvedre 19%

pH: 3.46 Residual Sugar: NIL Total Acidity: 5.8 g/l Production: 2200 doz

# **Cellaring Potential**

Optimum year 2028