



2014 Cirillo 1850 'Ancestor Vine' Grenache



The Cirillo 1850 Ancestor Vine Grenache is grown on sandy soils situated in the old Seigersdorf or Light Pass area of the Barossa Valley. This single vineyard is believed to be the oldest Grenache vineyard in the world.

2014 was an amazing growing year with a close to average winter (rainfall). Then a gentle mild spring into a normal summer with warm-dry heat. There were some spikes in the temperature, giving the vine every opportunity to mature with soft layered fruit and generosity with a textural finish. One of the perfect growing seasons.

The 2014 1850 Ancestor Vine Grenache is a beautifully delicate wine with pure Barossa generosity. It has many layers of flavour. It displays light raspberry and rhubarb, soft liquorish depth into white pepper spice. It follows with striking, precise tannins and a combined of juiciness that has your palate excited and wanting more.

The Cirillo Grenache is more about the variety than the oak. The tannins are so and long with great length. The balance between the primary fruit and the acid make this a beautifully seamless wine that mimics Rhone styles. One of the few Australian Grenaches that will reward over a decade of cellaring.

Variety: Grenache
Alcohol: 14.2% alc/vol
Total Acidity: 7.8 gms/l
Residual Sugar: 0.03 gms/l

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