



HARE'S CHASE

2021 THE SPRINGER SHIRAZ

Vintage Conditions

The 2021 growing season followed two very dry seasons. A solid autumn break in April and May offered reprieve to vines moving into dormancy and began filling soil profiles. Winter though was 20% below average in rainfall, while an average spring rainfall and favourable flowering and fruit set conditions were welcomed by growers, resulting in an average yield. Summer leading into harvest was cool and dry, with relatively low disease pressure. The Indian summer stretched out harvest to allow fruit to ripen evenly without a need to harvest quickly, enabling vines to mature fruit stress free, resulting in vibrant, richly flavoured fruit and high quality wines.

Winemaking

Shiraz was harvested at optimal ripeness and processed at our Hares Chase Winery in small open top fermenters with twice daily pump-overs to maximise extraction of colour, flavour and tannin. At the completion of fermentation, the wine was pressed with free-run and pressings combined and matured for 18 months in 80% seasoned French and American oak hogsheads, with the balance matured in tank to retain freshness and brightness.

Vineyard Selection

The Springer was sourced from the southern Hares Chase Marananga vineyard and selected local Barossa Valley growers.

Tasting Evaluation

Colour: A deep ruby red core and a bright crimson hue.

Aroma: Vibrant ripe berried fruits of red and a black cherry, wild strawberry and raspberry, with dark chocolate, whole black pepper and sweet and savoury spice dominate the senses.

Palate: Generous and full, vibrant and fresh, the ripe red and black fruit flavours of cherry, plum and raspberry, partnered with soft acidity and velvety chewy tannins hold the rich mid palate offering length, persistence and brightness.



Technical Notes

Winemaker	Matt Reynolds
Varietal	Shiraz
Region	Barossa Valley
Alcohol	14.5% alc/vol
pH	3.62
TA	6.2 g/L
Residual Sugar	0.48 g/L
Bottled	1 March 2023

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

95 Points	Sam Kim 'Wine Orbit', Jan '24
92 Points	Campbell Mattinson 'The Wine Front', July '24
91 Points	Dave Brookes 'Halliday Wine Companion', Oct'23
91 Points	Wine Enthusiast '24
GOLD	The Drinks Business Spring Tasting '24
SILVER	Barossa Wine Show '23
SILVER	London Wine Show '24

