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HISTORY Z WINE (Z for Zerk) is the creation of dynamic sisters Janelle and Kristen Zerk. With over 170 years of Barossa heritage behind them they grew up together in the Barossa Valley on a vineyard that has been in the Zerk family for five generations.

WINEMAKING Over 90-year-old hand-picked bush vine Grenache makes up the base of this wine. It is blended with survivor vine Shiraz and over 140-year-old ancestor vine Mataro. An inspiring blend from high end, beautiful rare old vineyards. No new oak is used in the blend but barrels are hand selected for varietal expression and depth. The wine spends 5 months in oak. The complexity and balance come from the vineyard and careful blending. Open fermenter, partial wild ferment, basket pressed, seasoned oak for a short time, parcels kept separate until blending for bottling.

COLOUR Medium - deep cherry red, vibrant hues **NOSE** Inviting bramble and forest fruits intermingle with game and spice (pepper and cinnamon) for a brooding nose.

PALATE Smooth chocolaty tannins with some earthy complexity enhance the beautiful bramble and ripe forest fruit characters (blueberry, wild blackberry and strawberry are predominant). The wine is smooth and youthful with a round medium weight and mouth-filling body. The finish has great persistence of lingering flavour. A seamless and perfectly balanced blend.

VARIETY: 100% Barossa Valley | 40.5% Grenache | 30.5% Shiraz | 29% Mataro

OAK: 6 months in seasoned oak | **ALCOHOL:** 14.5 % alc/vol

pH: 3.55 | **TA:** 6.95g/l

WINEMAKER: JANELLE ZERK



CELLARING This wine is drinking beautifully now and will benefit from medium term cellaring; 5-10 years plus depending on your taste.

FOOD we recommend serving with tapas or gourmet pizza.

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