

# 2021 IRONSCRAPER 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.



Shiraz was harvested at optimal ripeness, 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 filled to neutral oak hogsheads to soften and stabilize prior to blending and packaging, ensuring freshness and vibrancy.



Shiraz BAROSSA VALLEY

### **Vineyard Selection**

The Ironscraper Shiraz is grown at our hares Chase Marananga vineyard and from our dedicated local Barossa Valley growers.

#### **Tasting Evaluation**

Colour: Brilliant crimson bright deep core with a ruby-red rim.

Aroma: Fresh bright sweet red berried fruits of wild strawberry, raspberry and cherry. Whole black pepper, all spice, cinnamon and chocolate notes fill the sensors.

Palate: Rich and full, vibrant and fresh, the sweet fruit flavours of red cherry, raspberry and plum fill mouth partnered with soft acidity and velvet chewy tannins hold the rich mid palate giving length and persistence.

#### **Technical Notes**

Winemaker	Matt Reynolds
Varietal	Shiraz
Region	Barossa Valley
Alcohol	14.5% alc/vol
рН	3.61
TA	6.3g/L
Residual Sugar	0.52 g/L
Bottled	2 March 2023

# AWARDS & ACCOLADES

94 POINTS **Decanter World Wine Awards 2024** 93 POINTS Jeni Port, Wine Pilot, Aug 2024 91 POINTS Dave Brookes, Halliday Wine Companion 2023 SILVER **London International Wine Competition 2024** SILVER **Drinks Business Spring Blind Tasting 2024** 









