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(JULIUS) SHIRAZ

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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 Sourced from Southern Barossa Valley fruit off the mature vines that are on the original Zerk property at Lyndoch that Janelle and Kristen helped their father and grandfather plant. We believe this single vineyard gives our Shiraz a signature great depth of raspberry and chocolate, but balanced and brooding with savoury notes. A perfect wine for cellaring & consuming with food. A small blend, allowing the best oak to be chosen. 2019 was a drought year producing wines of great concentration. Open stainless-steel fermenter, cap plunged 3 x times daily, basket pressed, single vineyard.

COLOUR Deep crimson with purple hue **NOSE** Plum and mulberry fruit with complimentary black pepper, leather & toasty savoury notes.

PALATE Ripe red plum and raspberry fruit are at the fore, but the wine has an intriguing display of liquorice, earthiness, cocoa and black pepper. The tannins are ripe and textural, and the toasty oak adds warmth and depth. A full-bodied, yet composed, Barossa Valley Shiraz.

VARIETY: 100% Barossa Valley | Shiraz

OAK: 24 months (40% new oak, French and American hogs head oak barrels) | **ALCOHOL:** 14.5 % alc/vol

pH: 3.52 | TA: 5.97g/l

WINEMAKER: JANELLE ZERK



CELLARING Long term cellaring; 10-30 years plus

FOOD We recommend serving this rich and earthy blend with charred meats and aged hard cheeses.

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