

STONEHORSE

BY KAESLER

GRENACHE 2017

The Stonehorse wines are full of character like the teams of Clydesdale horses that were used to work the heavy clay soil at the Kaesler vineyard, long before tractors were invented. An assemblage of estate vineyards ranging from 16 to 46 years in age.

2017 VINTAGE

2017 was a great vintage for Grenache - with perfect conditions for even ripening and retention of natural acidity. In Barossa the winter was one of the wettest on record in recent years, with some parts of the valley seeing 50% above average. Consistent temperatures during the ripening season were favourable with only two significant spikes in temperature. All elements delivered a very solid Barossa vintage.

WINEMAKING

All the fruit from our Stonehorse Grenache was hand-picked, and then placed into small open-top fermenters. During the next 7 days they wine underwent hand-plunging four times a day to extract maximum colour and flavour. After malolactic fermentation, the Grenache was matured in 2 and 3 year old French barriques. The wine underwent no fining or filtration.

APPEARANCE

Garnet red with a gentle purple hue.

BOUQUET

The bouquet is vibrant and complex with flavours of wild strawberry, violets and a hint of spice.

PALATE

An elegant and restrained palate showing notes of ripe cherries and rich plums with earthy undertones. The finish is supported by delightful balanced acidity.

Region: Barossa Valley | Alc: 15% ABV | RS: 2.1 | pH: 3.68 | TA: 5.95 | Origin of oak: French | Yeast type: Cultured yeast | Soil: Loam over clay

