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BAROSSA

2019 ANCESTOR VINE

Grenache

SPRINGTON, BAROSSA



From a 162-year-old vineyard planted near Springton, Eden Valley, on brown and grey sandy loam over yellow clays. 10% whole-bunch fermented in stainless steel, no crushing or temperature control, natural yeasts, hand plunged and foot trodden twice daily for 2 weeks. Matured for 12 months in large, old oak barrels.

Made with complete respect to the fruit and aiming above the great CNDP in terms of quality, balance and longevity. *Alex Head*

James Halliday
Wine Companion

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Pts

“This puts the ‘Super’ into Premium. It bursts cherries and berries onto the palate and then stamps earth, spices and assorted petals all over. It’s dry, serious and joyous. There’s a whip-crack of tannin and rockets of flavour thru the finish. Drink to 2040+.”

James Suckling
jamesuckling.com

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“From a single parcel of vines, planted in 1853 in Springton in the Eden Valley, this has a strikingly complex and fragrant nose with pepper, wild sage, gun flint, rose petals, pastry and orange peel, as well as redcurrants, raspberries, blueberries and red cherries. The palate has such fine, silky and elegant tannins that draw very long and chiseled. Raspberry and red-cherry flavors are cradled long, fresh and fine. Elegance and power. Superb grenache. Drink or hold. Screw cap.”



RAINFALL:	315ml (April 18-March 19 avg. 474ml)
VINEYARD:	Springton at 420m elevation Farmed sustainably with organic principles
VARIETAL:	95% Grenache, 5% Mataro
VINE AGE:	162 years
SOIL/ROCK:	Brown/grey sandy loam over yellow clays
AVG. YIELD:	<1.0t/a
PRODUCTION:	600 bottles
VINIFICATION:	Small open top, indigenous yeast, 10% whole-bunch retention, two week ferment, hand-plunging & pumpover daily
MATURATION:	Specially designed oak barrel for 12 months
BOTTLING:	March 20, Minimal So2
ACIDITY:	5.5g/l
ALCOHOL:	14.5%