



2021 MATARO

The Dog Strangler



"In the wide and wonderful world of wine you'll find around 60 or more synonyms for one of our favourite varieties – Mataro. There's the well-known ones such as Mourvedre and Monastrell and lesser known ones such as Balzac and Exparte. Now we love the mutts at Teusner (where dogs can sometimes outnumber humans!)...so it's somewhat ironic that we chose this particular name for Mataro...*Estrangle Chien* in France...The Dog Strangler in the Barossa!

Mataro is a late ripening variety that thrives on the Barossa's warm summers but actually does its best work as the season transcends into the cooler Autumn harvest period that we generally experience in 'The Valley'. This longer 'hang-time' helps elevate the variety's unique spice characters and the dark fruit flavour intensity that we so covet. The slow, even ripening period helps drive that typical underlying Barossa plushness and sense of power.

Select parcels of old vine Mataro have been sourced from all over the Barossa...from Vine Vale, Greenock, Moppa and Ebenezer...all vinified separately to produce a wine that is complex and a pleasure to drink. There's plenty of dark plum, mulberry fruits and five spice character on this Dog's nose. Rich, savoury and spicy on the palate...all the stuff that makes us love this variety in abundance. This Dog is clearly 'Best in Show!'"

KYM TEUSNER, WINEMAKER

Technical

pH 3.50
TA 6.1 g/L
14.6% alc/vol

Teusner
BAROSSA VALLEY