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BAROSSA VALLEY

## 2014 The Loon

*A young Scottish lad is often referred to as a Loon which is an appropriate name for this young, boisterous Shiraz Roussanne.*

*Due to our success in co-fermenting Shiraz and Viognier, we thought it would be interesting (and fun) to co-ferment the skins from Roussanne with Shiraz. We selected a Shiraz vineyard on our Renshaw property in Marananga that has proven a perfect match for the Roussanne skins. Once the juice was gently whole bunch pressed from the Roussanne grapes, the skins were de-stemmed and added to the fermenting Shiraz.*

*The resulting wine is as unique as it is intense; beautifully lifted and balanced and surprisingly distinctive. The bouquet is vibrant and lifted with hints of fresh plum, vanilla crème, lavender and nutmeg. The palate is where this wine's balance and silky texture really shines through. A dense, savoury portfolio awash with rich red fruits, wild blackberry, cassis, rhubarb, and hints of bitter dark chocolate. The supple, fine tannin structure completes the wine.*

**VARIETAL:** 90% Shiraz, 10% Roussanne

**REGIONS:** Marananga

**HARVEST:** 13<sup>th</sup> March 2014

**pH:** 3.75

**ACID:** 5.82

**ALCOHOL:** 15%

**VINIFICATION:** The wine was aged in a combination of seasoned French oak Puncheons and Barriques to preserve and maintain the fresh aromatics and fruit vibrancy. Following 14 months maturation, the wine was assembled and bottled in May 2015 without the use of fining or filtration.