

# HARRIS VINEYARD GRENACHE 2020



## TORBRECK

BAROSSA VALLEY



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THE HARRIS VINEYARD, PLANTED TO GRENACHE IN 2002, CELEBRATES THE TRADITIONAL BUSH VINE GROWING METHODS OF THE BAROSSA VALLEY PIONEERING GRAPE GROWERS

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This single site Grenache comes from the Harris Vineyard located in Marananga on the western ridge of the Barossa Valley. Grown as bush vines in iron stone rich brown loam and clay soils the resulting wine is highly expressive with fragrant aromatics, tension and balance.

A bush vine is a grapevine without a trellis and is pruned to form a “goblet” shape, to separate the bunches of fruit. Low to the ground these vines benefit from the warmth of the earth to create an ideal ripening condition. Grenache is best suited to this bush vine growing technique because of the upright orientation of its shoots.

### VINTAGE

Strong winds at flowering at the beginning of the growing season reduced berry and bunch count in many vineyards. The difficult seasonal conditions continued up to harvest- a dry winter and spring were followed by very hot and dry December and January. 2020 was a difficult season to manage for both grower and winemaker with yields much lower than anticipated. Older vineyards with deeper roots remained steadfast under these conditions and produced small volumes of deeply concentrated wines from the lower yields. While the yields have been small, the overall quality has created deeply coloured and textured wines that resonate their place of origin.

### TASTING

Lifted and perfumed with profound dark berry fruits reminiscent of Marananga Grenache from ironstone soils and deep clays. Overt fruits rise from the glass such as satsuma plum, mulberry and dried red currants balanced by savoury accents of sarsaparilla star anise and licorice. The palate is plush yet firm with tight long tannins from low yielding old vine Grenache. Match with game meats or rich vegetarian dishes such as eggplant parmigiana and cellar for up to 15 years.

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<b>VARIETY:</b>	100% Grenache
<b>VINEYARD:</b>	Harris
<b>SUB-REGION:</b>	Marananga
<b>HARVEST:</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
<b>MATURATION:</b>	18 months in 2400 litre French oak foudre
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	Alc/Vol 15% pH 3.46 Acidity 5.39g/L
<b>COLOUR:</b>	Bright crimson with aubergine hues
<b>AROMA:</b>	Lifted aromatics of red and black fruits, mulberry, plum and a hint of licorice
<b>PALATE:</b>	full bodied, firm palate with plump fruit weight leading to a core of tight and long old vine Grenache tannins
<b>CELLAR:</b>	up to 15 years

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