

BAROSSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014



VINTAGE REPORT

The 2014 vintage will go down as a testament to the ability of both grapes and people to thrive under challenge. Good winter and early spring rains soaked the soils and placed the vines in go stead for the season ahead. July to September rainfall was above average. Late spring and summer were dry and warm during the days, with cool nights. By the last week of January, harvest on the Barossa Valley floor had started with white varieties, and the first week of February saw picking of the first reds. On Valentine's Day the season changed, and 100-150mm of rain fell in just over 24 hours. This and the following cool weather caused the early vintage to slow with the grapes ripening slowly and evenly with no stress. The vintage has produced stylish dry whites of excellent character and the reds look very good showing deep, vibrant colour, lovely structure and varietal intensity. Overall the 2014 vintage will be very highly regarded.

TASTING NOTE

Vibrant fruit characters showing lifts of mint, herbs, chocolate and black plum. Stylish and elegant with a core of cedar like oak showing through but well balanced with tannins that linger.

VINEYARDS

The fruit comes from several different vineyards situated on the Barossa Valley floor. The vineyards range from 25 to 35 years old and yield on average 3t/acre.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol % / Volume 14.0%

GRAPES 100% Cabernet