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BAROSSA VALLEY SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ESTATE



THE STORY = The Hahn family were among the original pioneers to the Barossa Valley, and began growing grapes in 1845. In 1997 a partnership was formed between 6th generation family custodians and internationally respected winemaker, Rolf Binder, in producing the JJ Hahn range of wines. Launched in 1999, as a shared desire to showcase the family's legacy of grape growing from a wonderful collection of Barossa old vine vineyards held in the family for generations. The range now encompasses small volumes of handmade wines, intended to be affordable and enjoyable to drink. Wines are crafted using fruit from a unique and expressive "old vine" vineyard in the north – eastern region of the Barossa, owned, managed and worked by the Binder family.

THE WINEMAKING = This wine is from a single vineyard in the north eastern corner of the Barossa Valley. Once picked, the wine is fermented in open fermenters with use of heading down boards, and then pumped into oak barrels to then mature for 12 months.

COLOUR = A rich deep purple.

AROMA = The nose displays welcoming hints of stewed plums, perfumed violets, cinnamon and cassis. Further investigation is rewarded with a smooth mouth – filling juice of blackcurrants, sweet spice, nutmeg and cassis.

PALATE = The palate is ripe with sweet concentrated fruit and soft velvety tannins. The varietal stewed plums and blackcurrant fill the mouth evenly, with hints of spice such as clove and cinnamon, adding interest and complexity. The long persistence of flavour on the finish is supported by the velvety tannins, giving texture to the palate.

CELLARING = An impressive wine for now, or drink over the next 7 to 8 years.

2022 Stelzer Road Merlot 14.0% Alc

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THE WINEMAKING = Three separate vineyards produce fruit similar in structure and complexity with slight differences in tannins, however each plot has quite differing flavour profiles and concentration levels. Once picked, the grapes are all made into separate wine batches and then the best barrels are selected to match the individual wine styles, then matured for 20 months. Prior to bottling, the groups are blended together for the final blend, and bottled without filtration.

COLOUR = A rich deep purple.

AROMA = Enticing aromas of sweet black currants, blackberry, cake spice, and a hint of chocolate. As the wine opens, aromas of blackberry fruits, nutmeg and cassis, with a background hint of sweet oak, fill the nose.

PALATE = The palate is ripe and concentrated with a wall of very fine drying tannins. The hallmark varietal black berry fruits fill the mouth evenly, with hints of subtle herb, notes of clove and tomato leaf, adding interest and complexity. Shows long persistence of flavour.

CELLARING = An impressive wine for now, or drink over the next 8 to 10 years.

2023 Homestead Cabernet Sauvignon 14.5% Alc

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THE WINEMAKING = The grapes for the Shiraz are hand and machine harvested. Each grape variety is separately crushed, fermented and aged until bottling. The crush is fermented in 8 tonne open fermenters. The fermentation was completed in tank and the wines were then racked to barrel. The wine was aged in a selection of older French and American oak for 12 months. The Shiraz was chosen on the intensity of its fruit and the richness of its flavour that suits this easy – drinking style.

COLOUR = A very deep brick red.

AROMA = Notes of tea leaf, cedar, sweet berries, spice, chocolate and cigar box aromas which are all repeated on the palate. Ripe black forest fruits and spice are balanced by rounded tannins and seamless structure.

PALATE = The palate reflects the nose with flavours of cedar, stewed fruit and cigar box. Fine drying tannins. A pleasant lingering finish of cedar, cigar box and stewed fruit with hints of aromatic restrained oak coming through. A fresh vibrant palate of good depth but fresh intensity and layers of fruit. Very tight wine that is complex but not confusing.

CELLARING = Drink up to 8 years.

2023 Reginald Shiraz Cabernet 14.0% Alc

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THE WINEMAKING = Harvested before dawn, 100% whole berry ferment in traditional open fermenters for approximately 10 days. Pressed to tank to finish ferment before being transferred to seasoned USA and French Oak hogsheads for approximately 14 months. The final wine was blended and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

COLOUR = Dense ruby and purple colours.

AROMA = A heady aromatic profile of ripe plums, coffee and bitter chocolate

PALATE = The palate is richly fruited with plums and mulberry notes, a deep undertone of black earth brings some savoury notes whilst sweeter oak nuances linger in the core. Tannins are gentle and guide it to a good length.

CELLARING = Drink from 2023 onwards till 2031.

2023

Hermann's Vineyard Shiraz

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THE WINEMAKING = The Shiraz vines grow on the North – Facing slopes of Barossa's Western Ridge, an area famed for rich, full – flavoured wines. The grapes are sourced from selected parcels from mature vines, dry – grown along the Western Ridge overlooking the Barossa Valley. The grapes are hand – harvested for maximum quality, aged in a mixture of French and American oak barrels, blended to create a juicy vibrant style.

COLOUR = This opaque dark red, almost black colour wine shares the glass with deep red lights.

AROMA = The nose contains lifted aromas of vanilla, mocha, dark chocolate and liquorice allsorts.

PALATE = The medium bodied palate is rich and full with matching flavours of dark chocolate, mocha, liquorice and vanilla, refreshing acid and velvety smooth tannins. Good depth with a long finish of mocha, liquorice allsorts and vanilla. It is complex and intense without being overbearing.

CELLARING = Drinking now, it should remain fresh and vibrant to 2030.

2021 Western Ridge 1975 Planting Shiraz 14.0% Alc