



LEGEND



RASA WINES

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RASA 2019

'A Bright Red Blend'

Winemaker: Andy Cummins

Grape(s): 73% Cinsault, 27% Grenache

GI: Barossa Valley

Site(s): Two single vineyards, one in Vine Vale (cinsault) and one in Tanunda (grenache)

Vintage notes: Low yielding, however the quality was high, with good expressions of varietal character, balance, and structure. A dry winter, spring and summer with warmer than average temperatures in January and February lead to quite early maturity of all grape varieties in the Valley.

Vineyard notes: The cinsault is biodynamically farmed on Vine Vale's deep sand over clay soils at 350m in elevation. Owned and farmed by Wayne Ahrens and Suzi Hilder. The grenache is planted on hard red-brown texture contrast soils with alkaline subsoil at 250m elevation. Grown by the Schiller family, who subscribe to sustainable farming (one pre-bunch-closure botrytis spray) with a hope to move to organics this growing season. Low yields at 30 hl/ha and vine age of 65 years.

Winemaking: Native yeast and bacteria, with 42% whole bunch fermentation. Aged in old French oak puncheons for 8 months, basket pressed, 22 days maceration, full malolactic fermentation. Only addition is 15ppm sulfur pre-bottling.

Closure: Natural cork

ABV: 12.5%

LEGEND tasting notes: Aromatics of small red berries (lilly pilly, muntries), musky florals, white pepper and a hint of reduction. Fruit is more savory than in previous years, owing to increasing vine age, with nuances of strawberry gum and anise myrtle. Palate is bright with a crunchy mid palate and savory, grippy tannins. Best with a slight chill.

Label design: All label art is done by Andy's younger sister, Lily Cummins, who holds a Masters from the National Art School in Sydney. She visits the vineyards, tastes the wines, and then does a rendering based on her impressions.

Production size: 660 bottles