



Hentley Farm

Barossa Valley
Wines

2010 Zinfandel

Planted on an old quarry where soil is almost absent, our Zinfandel block provides the biggest challenge every vintage...

Yet as a result of hand harvesting the fruit slightly later in the growing season, allowing it to raisin a little, the wine produced from the block is one of great complexity and flavour intensity.

2009 - winner of the Trophy for 'Best Alternative or Emerging Varietal' at the Marananga Wine Show 2010

Variety

100% Zinfandel - Single block

Vineyard

The fruit is sourced from a small block of 10 rows of Zinfandel vines located on the eastern facing slope of Hentley Farm. When founder Keith Hentschke purchased the property, this block was a quarry. The shallow soil profile overlaying the quarry limestone reduces the natural vigour of the vine, allowing vibrancy and intensity to shine in the fruit.

- Vineyard Manager, Greg Mader

Vintage

2010 - Apart from a short and early heat-wave in November and two short temperature spikes in January, the 2010 vintage was smooth sailing throughout. Above average winter rainfall (the best levels in 5 years), average to warm Spring temperatures, constant sunlight exposure and dry conditions saw a return to early harvest dates, and late season conditions were ideal. Possibly the best vintage seen by Hentley Farm so far.

Area: 0.78 ha

Harvested (hand-picked) : 22 March

Winemaking

The fruit was crushed and destemmed, and underwent a 5 day cold soak before being basket pressed into a combination of old American hogsheads (95%) and new French barrels (5%) post fermentation where it underwent natural malolactic fermentation. The wine was then returned to oak for a total of 10 months, with minimal acid additions being made and no fining or filtration used. - Winemaker, Andrew Quin

Profile

This wine displays intense, lifted aromatics of plums, raisins, confection, red fruits, cut grass and tomato leaf, which are followed by a soft, elegant palate that combines ripe fruits with a soft tannin structure at the front and back of the palate, and an attractive fruit sweetness through the mid palate. A hugely expressive and unique wine.

Blended & bottled: February 2011

Drink: now - 2021

Analysis:	Alcohol 14.6%	Acid 6.5	pH 3.53
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