Turkey Flat, Barossa Valley, South Australia

Mataro

DETAILS OF PRODUCTION

Encounters with unblended Australian Mataro (also known as Mourvèdre) are rare. The origins of Mataro are almost certainly Spanish where it is often called Monastrell. It is the principal black grape of the five appellations that cluster on Spain's South-eastern Mediterranean Coast. A very late variety in both bud break and ripening season, the Barossa Valley is one of the few areas in Australia that can successfully ripen Mataro. One of the original grapes grown in the Barossa Valley, Mataro thrives in the hot and dry conditions of a Barossa summer. The wine produced from Mataro's small, sweet, thick-skinned berries tend to be deeply coloured, rich in spice, high in alcohol and tannin, gamey when young and full of fruit. Ripeness levels are critical to producing Mataro with this rich level of fruit & spice. Careful selection of French oak enhances the fruit characters and structure of this wine. The 2019 growing season was long, hot and dry leading to a slightly early, low yielding vintage. The wines from the 2019 vintage are rich in fruit, subtance, and are well coloured. The 2019 vintage will be remembered for producing wines that reflect the generosity for which has made the Barossa famous.

TASTING NOTES

A fresh and exciting representation of Mataro. The opening bouquet hints of blueberries and jubes. A touch of savory with sophistication sees this playful and seamless wine coat the palate with joy. Subtle oak integration over a brief eight months adds fine tannins to the finish.

How to serve

Enjoy with honest foods of the earth; slow-roast lamb, game with wild mushrooms & thyme or roasted 5-spice duck.

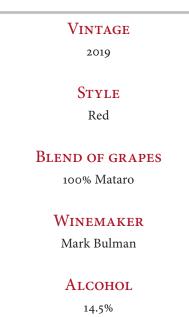
"It's a wine in complete command of matters. It's balanced, svelte, well powered and exceptionally well finished. Sweet fruit, top notes of spice, a suede leather aspect and (dark) chocolate-infused tannin. It's very good." 94/100 points

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