

## 2016 'The Fave' Grenache

Grape Variety: 100% Grenache

Vineyard Soils: Loam over clay (Nuriootpa)

Vine Age: Estate plantings established in 1930

GI: Barossa Valley

## Summary:

Grenache is an awesome grape and is the back bone of so many blended wines around the world. We have several Grenache vineyards that really perform on their own from time to time, but the Fave seems to excel more years than not. Normally it is a walk up start to Avignon, but sometimes we cut a little out for special treatment. The 2016 Fave is the result of 4 vintages done in Burgundy by winemaker Stephen Dew. The wine is made without preservatives (no S02 added) and has just the natural acid it was blessed with from the vineyard.

## Vinification:

Harvest 30<sup>th</sup>March. Fermented on skin for 18 days. 100% whole bunch, 100% wild yeast.

The wine was fermented at (24-32 Degrees centigrade) during this time it was given light pigeage as needed, with the last one done naked by the light of the moon and stars with only positive energy to become one with the wine. After primary fermentation the wine is gently pressed to tank, where it completed its malolactic fermentation. The wine was bottled with no finings or filtration and no preservatives add.

**ALC** 14%

## **Tasting Note:**

Colour: Garnet / Rhubarb.

Nose: Cherry, spicy and earthy notes. Aniseed characters.

**Palate:** Soft and generous medium body wine. With hints of ruby - red grapefruit and cherry with herbal undertones of oregano. All help to make up a very complex wine.

**Notes:** This is a single vineyard wine from the vineyard by the name "The Fave." It will benefit from some time spent in bottle, cellar up to 10 years.



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