

KAESLER

WOMS - 2022

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VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Winter rainfall for 2021 was 48% above average. The wet winter was welcomed after 3 dry years. Maximum temperatures were below average for the beginning of the growing season; however, the latter half was warmer providing good ripening conditions. A hailstorm on the 28th of October severely damaged some vines, fortunately most recovered and secondary shoots grew however, they were typically less fruitful than primary shoots which resulted in lower yields in some varieties.

REGENERATIVE FARMING

At Kaesler we strive to not only maintain but rebuild the soils, because at the end of the day we want to leave these precious old vines in better condition than we found them. It's a process called 'regenerative farming' as it's more than sustainability, it is a practice that constantly evolves so we are not just sustaining the environment we are improving it.

WINEMAKING

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APPEARANCE

Purple, crimson with a dense centre and a youthful edge.

PALATE

Full bodied with black cherries, vanilla and leather characters. The fruit is solid and tightened by oak and tannin in its youth. With cellaring, the oak will lay down and the fruit will prevail.

BOUQUET

Blackberries, mulberries and cherries with hints of charry oak.

FOOD PAIRING

Slow cooked roast meat or rich stews.



Varieties	Shiraz 59%, Cabernet Sauvignon 41%
Vine Age	Planted in 1961 & 1985
Region	Barossa Valley
Soil Type	Loam over clay
Harvest	By hand
Oak Origin	French oak
Maturation	18 months
Winemaker	Tim Dolan & Stephen Dew
Closure	Cork
pH/TA	3.49/6.18g/L
Vegan	Yes
Alcohol	14%
Peak Drinking	2027 - 2042

Reviews

95 points

Halliday Wine Companion
(Dave Brookes)

95 points

The Vintage Journal (Angus Hughson MW, Andrew Caillard MW)

95 points

The Real Review
(Aaron Brasher)

95 points

Winepilot (Ken Gargett)

94 points

The Wine Front
(Kasia Sobiesiak)

94 points

Winepilot (Ray Jordan)