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## 2018 KALLESKE OLD VINE GRENACHE

Kalleske Old Vine Grenache is made from a low yielding, single vineyard planted in 1935 on our Kalleske estate. Situated on the outskirts of Greenock in the North-Western Barossa Valley, the Kalleske's have been farming this property for over 150 years and the vineyard is now tended by sixth and seventh generation family members. Following picking these dry-grown Grenache grapes were fermented in open fermenters and then gently pressed in our estate winery. The wine was matured in seasoned oak hogsheads giving a complex Grenache wine, which will benefit from cellaring.

### GROWING SEASON

The 2018 vintage was superb. Winter was slightly wetter than average getting the vines off to a brilliant start leading them into Spring which was warmer and drier than average. Rain in early December refreshed the vines and ensured they remained strong and healthy for the overall dry and hot Summer. Autumn also remained dry with perfect Autumnal temperatures leading into harvest. The 2018 yields are good and the quality is excellent, a classic Barossa vintage.

### VINEYARD

Old Vine Grenache is made from a single vineyard planted in 1935 as bush vines on the Kalleske farm. The vineyard soil is shallow sand with light clay subsoil and the grapes are entirely dry-grown ensuring intensely flavoured fruit.

### WINEMAKING

Following hand picking on April 12th, grapes were destemmed into an open-top fermenter. The must was fermented using native yeast and the skins were entirely submerged for gentle flavour and colour extraction for the 14 day fermentation. The must was then traditionally pressed and filled to barrel. The wine was matured in seasoned American and French oak hogsheads for twelve months prior to bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

2018 Old Vine Grenache is deep purple in colour.

Instantly exuding its varietal brightness, there are aromas of rose, musk, raspberry, choc mint and licorice.

These inviting aromatics lead to a medium-full bodied palate. Juicy red berry fruits dominate along with fresh plum and crunchy blackberry. Natural tannins are evident adding structure but are extremely fine and well integrated. The pure fruit is respected with seasoned barrel maturation adding harmony. Very smooth overall with a clean lingering finish, this is a stylish wine. This distinguished Grenache drinks well now but is ideally suited for serious cellaring



This wine is Organic /Biodynamic  
as certified by Australian Certified Organic.

