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BAROSSA VALLEY



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2024 ELENORE SEMILLON

This single vineyard Semillon is from one of the oldest surviving Semillon vineyards in the Barossa, planted on the Kalleske property in 1980. Grapes from these old low-yielding vines were native yeast fermented and matured in a trio of vessels; French barrels for oak richness, concrete egg tank adding complexity and stainless tank providing freshness. The wine gains its name from Johanne 'Elenore' Kalleske, daughter of Eduard & Rosina, born on the Kalleske farm in 1865. Elenore is a genuine hand crafted wine that's been grown, vintaged and matured on our Kalleske estate at Greenock in the North-Western Barossa.

GROWING SEASON

Vintage 2024 was excellent. Winter and Spring were drier and slightly warmer than average leading to earlier budburst, flowering and veraison. Summer welcomed refreshing rainfall, average temperatures, with no extreme heat, ensuring the vines flourished with their very balanced crop load and apt canopy leading to steady ripening. Autumn began warm and finished mild, continuing the consistent ripening of grapes until harvest was finished in mid-Autumn. The yields are overall average, and the quality is superb.

VINEYARD

Elenore is from a single vineyard of old-vine Semillon on the Kalleske property that was planted in 1980. The old vines are low yielding and soil is shallow sand with clay subsoil.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested on March 4th. They were then pressed and the juice was briefly settled prior to racking to fermentation. The juice was entirely wild fermented with native yeast and portions of the ferment were undertaken in new French oak hogsheads, concrete egg tank and stainless steel tank. Partial lees stirring was employed post fermentation for added texture and complexity. After 9 months maturation in these vessels, the wine was blended and bottled.

TASTING NOTES

2024 Elenore Semillon is brilliant pale straw in colour.

The wine immediately entices with aromas of fresh-cut hay, pear, nectarine, lime citrus, and a gentle hint of nutty oak.

The palate is medium-bodied and vibrant, brimming with juicy fruit, while a touch of creaminess weaves through the lively natural acidity. Subtle, understated oak brings spice and softness, enhancing the wine's layered texture. The finish is long and flavoursome, showing a fine grip and a harmonious interplay of fruit, oak, and structure. Crafted from old-vine Barossa Semillon, Elenore is a beautifully balanced expression that drinks well now yet will reward careful cellaring for five to ten years.

