Bethany
WINES of BAROSSA

THE SCHRAPEL FAMILY HAVE BEEN TILLING THE SOIL IN THEIR BAROSSA VINEYARDS FOR OVER 160 YEARS.

first village

CHARDONNAY

BAROSSA VALLEY / 2021

TASTING NOTES

Straw gold with green highlights. Intense focused nose of green apples, white florals, and crunchy stone fruit. A tight and fluid palate with lovely citrus and orchard fruit elements pulling through on a juicy driven core. Light hints of spicy oak and citrus cut complement the fruit and add complexity to the palate

VINEYARD NOTES

The fruit is. With fruit from the high Eden Valley and Barossa Valley this Chardonnay displays bright citrus and apple fruit profiles with a clean and juicy plate of orchard fruits, subtle spicy oak, and textural length.

VINTAGE REPORT

2021 provided us with exceptional conditions for growing high quality grapes. It was one of those years that had a little bit of everything but not too much of anything. We had good winter and spring rains with total rainfall for 2020 being right on the money for a normal average Barossa year (around 450-500mm). This led to good fruiting conditions and a much more balanced yield than previous, drier years. The growing season then proceeded to give some nice warm conditions. Critically, the evening and night temperatures were always on the cooler side.

WINEMAKING REPORT

Night picked, destemmed, and pressed to stainless steel and 10% new French oak for cool fermentation of 10-14 days. Lees stirring for approx. 2 months post ferment before being allowed to settle naturally and continue to gain weight and freshness through contact with the lees. Stabilised in September 2021 before being filtered and bottled in October 2021.

REGION

Barrosa Valley

BLEND

Chardonnay 100%

ACIDITY

6.7 g/L

ALCOHOL / VOLUME

13.0 %

RESIDUAL SUGAR

<1.0 g/L

CELLAR POTENTIAL

3 – 7 years

WINEMAKER

Alex MacClelland

The village of Bethany was the first settlement in the Barossa Valley in 1842. Predominately European immigrants arrived and began building houses and tilling the soil. The first vines on Bethany Estate were planted in 1852, beginning a passion and tradition that continues on today with the Schrapel family, six generations later.