

REGIONAL SELECTIONS

# NEGROAMARO

VINTAGE 2018

BAROSSA VALLEY

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The Regional Selections represent vineyard & varietal combinations which are recognised for excellence.

The motivation is quality, and the result is a range of wines which are hand-made from specific vineyards to bring you the best of each growing region.

## Background

An ancient variety; Negroamaro has been associated with the area of Puglia in southern Italy for over 1,500 years. Renowned for being an intensely dark-skinned grape, the Greek and Latin translation of the name literally means 'blackest of the black'. Negroamaro thrives in a warm climate and is a late ripening variety, making it well suited to the Barossa growing region.

Following harvest on April 10th, fruit was fermented in a small stainless steel open-top fermenter. Juice remained on skins for nine days with multiple pump overs daily before being transferred to third-fill French oak Hogsheads for 8 months maturation. This varietal is one of the last parcels to be fermented each year, meaning the fruit has an extended ripening period allowing excellent flavour development.

## Tasting notes

- Colour|** Dark, inky purple with a silver rim.
- Aroma|** A complex nose of gamey aromatics, sweet dried herbs, cherry cola and raspberries.
- Palate|** A well balanced palate with fruit forward flavours of strawberry, raspberry and cherry cola. Earthy notes and hints of white pepper supported by fine tannins lead to a moreish finish.
- Summary|** A medium bodied aromatic red intended to be enjoyed in its youth.

## Technical

**Alc.|** 14.5%

**TA|** 5.8 g/L

**RS|** 0.7 g/L

**pH|** 3.64



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