



## MASSIMO MONTEPULCIANO PRIMITIVO

### STORY BEHIND THE WINE

Massimo Baraglia left Italy in 1929, seeking a new life for his family. Ten years later he was reunited with his wife, Maria, and their two children when they settled in the Barossa. They maintained their traditions, growing grapes, making wine, salami and cheese as their descendants do to this day.

### THE WINERY

The Lindner family of Langmeil Winery has been immersed in the Barossa's culture of farming, food, wine and community for six generations. Their commitment to quality in all aspects is unwavering and any wine that bears the Langmeil name represents the family's pursuit of excellence in wine and community.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

### 2019 VINTAGE REPORT

2019 was the smallest harvest since 2000 and was indeed a vintage of highs and lows. Fortunately, the quality was exceptional with intense colours, flavours and tannins in the reds; however, yields were meagre due to several climate-related reasons.

A drier than average winter and spring limited vine growth from the outset, and in a dry year, there is a higher risk of frost. The Barossa and Eden Valleys were hit by frost on 29 September which burnt young shoots, resulting in an even smaller, second-growth crop. The Eden Valley was frosted again on 8 November which disrupted flowering. As if that wasn't enough, hail fell on some vineyards on 22 November.

What little fruit there was ripened quickly in the hot, dry conditions of January and February, with a mad rush to pick before sugar levels became excessive. On the plus side, the lack of rainfall meant there was no disease pressure this season.

For the first time in 20 years, we took Easter off with the final press load on Good Friday. The kids loved having their Dad home to share his Easter eggs! Overall, I am thrilled with the 2019 wines. The reds will be bold, dark, rich and long-lived. Sadly, they will be in very short supply.

*Paul Lindner, Chief Winemaker*

**Colour:** Deep crimson with purple hues.

**Aroma:** A perfumed and full aroma of old red roses and ripe Satsuma plum mingle with hints of black olive and brambly spice.

**Palate:** Juicy blue and red fruits, and brambly spice come together in this medium-bodied wine with fine suede tannins adding to the mouthfeel. The fresh and bright fruit flows through with a slight savoury and spicy finish.

**Cellaring:** 2020 - 2030



**VINTAGE**  
2019

**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN**  
Australia

**GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION**  
Barossa Valley

**GRAPE COMPOSITION**  
64% Montepulciano / 36% Primitivo

**OAK TREATMENT**  
Seasoned French and American oak

**TIME IN OAK**  
Ten months

**VINE AGE**  
5-years-old. You've got to start somewhere.

**YIELD PER ACRE**  
2 – 3 tonnes per acre

**SUB REGION SOURCE**  
Tanunda and Vine Vale

**TRELLISING**  
Single wire, rod and spur pruned

**SOIL TYPE**  
Loam over red clay and Iron stone / deep sand over red clay.

**HARVEST DETAILS**  
22 March – 9 April

**TECHNICAL ANALYSIS**  
Alcohol: 14.5%  
pH: 3.56  
TA: 6.0g/L  
Residual Sugar: 2.3g/L  
VA: 0.38g/L

**FOOD MATCH**  
Roasted game meats; Cured meat platter; Italian tomato dishes.

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