

Spinifex

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2015 Spinifex Bête Noir

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The 2015 Bête is a blend from seven vineyards located across a variety of Barossa's sub regions, with the Eastern foothills, Moppa, Moculta, and the Eden Valley all contributing. Vineyard age ranges between 25 and 120 years, with 60 years being a fair average across the blend.

2015 gifts a Bête Noir of lovely purity of fruit and freshness. It's refined, medium-bodied, detailed and aromatic, with a spectrum of both "noir" and red fruits, with an undercurrent of aromatic spice and herb elements. The palate is carried by a strong, yet supple, core of fleshy, plummy fruit, bitter chocolatey-like tannins and refreshing ripe acidity.

All fruit was hand harvested. The proportion of whole clusters varied from "everything to nothing" depending on the vineyard, with roughly 35% in the final blended cuvée. Vinified with indigenous yeast fermentation, élevage on lees in new (25%) and seasoned French oak barrels ranging in capacity from 225 litre to 2,500 litre for 20 months prior to bottling without filtration.

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