

Spinifex

Barossa Valley



2018 Spinifex Papillon

2018 - The Season

Below average winter rains, followed by well timed but sparse spring and early summer falls, coupled with mild temperatures set up the Barossa for an early quantitatively modest harvest of clean and fresh fruit. Red wines show deep fleshy fruit, supple, ripe acids, and pleasing palate weight.

2018 Papillon Rose 13.0% abv

Produced from very old Barossa Valley Grenache (78%), and Cinsault (22%). The source vineyards range in age from 40 to 120 years old, (averaging 90 years if you had to find a fair number) growing in sands, loam over clay and deep red clay soils. All bush vines, all hand-picked, dry grown - old school.

Whilst proportions varied depending on the particular fruit parcel, around 40% of the whole clusters were retained within the fermentations, the balance destemmed. Fermented with indigenous yeasts and matured on lees for 5 months in a mixture of concrete, stainless steel and large old oak prior to blending and bottling.

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