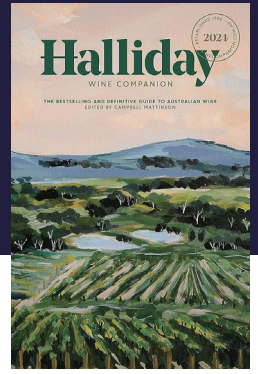




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Hand-crafted Barossa Wines



2020 Ahrens' Creek Ancestor Vine Shiraz

The vines were planted by then newly arrived migrant Mick Ahrens, and, as old vines can do, sailed through the at times challenging vintage. This is a beautiful shiraz, medium bodied with its deep river of dark chocolate, blackberry fruit, filigreed tannins and positive oak.

Tasted by James Halliday in November 2022



2020 The Maverick Barossa Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon

A wine that shines a light on the best fruit from the Barossa and Eden valleys. Elegant and fruit-pure with an ironstone and iodine-like sheen to the deep blackberry and black cherry fruits. Layers of baking spices, roasting meats, blood pudding, dark chocolate and impressively judged oak along with compact granitic tannins and bright acidity with excellent length on the finish. Another very impressive release.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in July 2023



2020 Ahrens' Creek Barossa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Deep in colour and plush of fruit, this Barossa Valley cabernet sauvignon is sourced from the Ahrens' Creek vineyard (planted in the 1840s) in Vine Vale. Opulent blackberry, black cherry and dark plum fruits are cut through with hints of cedary oak, vanilla bean, clove, baking spice, licorice and dark chocolate. Full bodied with fine, granitic tannin heft, bright acidity and a wonderful depth and presence to the black fruits on display. Finishes long and true.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in August 2023



2020 Ahrens' Creek Barossa Valley Shiraz

Very old (ancestor) vines have produced a savoury, earthy wine that's very different to its Ahrens' Creek Ancestor Vine Shiraz sibling. There's a hint of bitter chocolate that comes and goes in a wine full of interest.

Tasted by James Halliday in August 2023



2021 Ahrens' Creek Ancestor Vine Grenache

Ancient grenache sourced from ancestor vines in the 1840s-planted Ahrens' Creek vineyard in Vine Vale. Bright mid-crimson with notes of dark plum, raspberry and red cherry fruits along with hints of exotic spice, gingerbread, purple flowers, roasting meats, earth and red licorice. A meaty, gamey edge slides in on the palate, which shows a lovely sense of composure with a calm spicy flow of fruit, fine sandy tannins and bright acidity. Perhaps just a little touch of heat on the finish prevents it from scoring higher, but it's great drinking.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in August 2023



2021 Twins Barrel Reserve Grenache Mourvèdre Shiraz

GSM from the Ahren's Creek vineyard in the subregion of Vine Vale. Bright and lifted red, dark berry and plum fruits are cut with hits of exotic spices, pressed purple flowers, ginger cake, cola, earth and red licorice. Displaying a supple texture and bright line with a light sandy tannin grip and a swoosh of sour cherry on the finish.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in March 2023



2020 Barossa Ridge Barossa Valley Cabernets

A blend of merlot/cabernet sauvignon/cabernet franc/petit verdot from a 1940s-planted vineyard in the subregion of Vine Vale. Blackberry, blackcurrant and black cherry fruits strut their stuff here, along with hints of clove, cedar, vanillin oak, earth, macerated plums and smoked meats. Sporting a deep fruit presence and a calm demeanour, fine, chocolatey tannins and an iodine/graphite note on the long, black-fruited finish.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in March 2023



2021 Barossa GMS Grenache Mourvèdre Shiraz

A savoury grenache, mourvèdre and shiraz blend from Vine Vale-sourced fruit. Sour cherry and red plum fruits are cut with exotic spices and hints of roasting game meats, light amaro herb notes, red licorice and pressed flowers. Medium bodied with a savoury palate shape and a snappy, sour cherry finish.

Tasted by Dave Brooks in March 2023

