

2018 KAY BROTHERS BASKETPRESSED GRENACHE

McLaren Vale



WINE DATA

<u>Producer</u>

Kay Brothers

Region McLaren Vale

> <u>Country</u> Australia

Wine Composition 95% Grenache, 5% Mataro Alcohol 14.5% Total Acidity 6.3 G/L pH 3.59

> Case Production 1.140

Residual Sugar

3.4 G/L

DESCRIPTION

The 2018 Basket Pressed Grenache shows a bright crimson color.

Vintage 2018 began with good winter and early spring rainfall, preparing the vines for the summer ahead. In late spring the weather began to warm up and flowering conditions were moderate, but later than most years. The summer was extremely dry and veraison started late but came on quickly as temperatures in late January rose. The final ripening period of February and early March continued to be dry, however temperatures were mild and conditions were ideal for steady ripening and flavor development.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Grenache vineyard has a North-Eastern exposure. Soils are shallow, red sandy loam over complex geology comprising quartz and ironstone gravels, weathered and calcareous sandstone, siltstone and limestone. The grapes were hand-harvested on the 26th and 27th of March 2018. The fruit was then open fermented and hand-plunged for 10 days on skins, prior to traditional basket-pressing with the winery's 1928 basket press. The wine matured a further 10 months in seasoned French oak puncheons.

SERVING HINTS

Kay Brothers Basket-Pressed Grenache is great with lighter dishes such as tapas. This wine is vegan and gluten-free.