



NIETSCHKE "JACK"

SHIRAZ

BAROSSA VALLEY 2021

Great Uncle Jack would be proud, as this is a modern Shiraz with a twist. There's a little something extra with a dash of Petite Sirah added for complexity. A full-bodied Barossa Shiraz with rich dark fruit flavours and classy oak characteristics that will cellar gracefully in the medium term.

REGION

Barossa Valley

VINEYARD(S)

Various vineyards

SOIL

Mostly shallow, sandy loam over deep red clay

VARIETIES

95% Shiraz / 5% Petit Verdot

FARMING

Sustainable

FERMENTATION

Harvested in numerous batches / 7-12 separate ferments on skins in open-top fermenters / hand pump-overs twice daily / pressed

ELEVAGE

Aged in balance of old and new American and French oak hogsheads for 12 months / unfiltered / unfiltered

TECHNICAL

Alc: 14.5%

In 1838 two ships are sailing bound for Australia, aboard the Zebra is Samuel Johann Nietschke and on the Prince George is Johann Georg Kalleske. They are both pioneering grapegrowing families who make the Barossa their new home. Now step forward 130 years in time to 1968 and these two families join when John Kalleske marries Lorraine Nietschke. Their sons Tony, Kym and Troy run the vineyard and the more recently established winery. However it was Lorraine's forbears who originally made wine well before the current Kalleske boys decided to try their hand. The Nietschke family established a winery on the banks of the Jacob's Creek soon after they planted vines in the 1840's. To honour Lorraine's lineage and the inspiration they have bestowed this wine proudly bears the Nietschke name.

Vintage 2021 was an exemplary year with fine wines and good yields. Growing season rainfall was marginally below average and temperatures were mild ensuring vine canopies remained healthy. Vintage weather was absolutely perfect throughout, with dry mild-warm days and cool nights ensuring even and steady ripening across all varieties. There is strong colour and flavour across all the reds along with excellent structure and balance.

2021 Nietschke Jack is deep purple in colour with a black core. It is bright and uplifting with intense perfumed aromatics. Dark cherry and violets burst forth, along with roast almond, chocolate and musk leading to an enticing offering. The palate is equally vivid, with soft luminous red and black fruits enveloping the entire mouth. It is seamless throughout, mild tannins adding structure and restrained oak perfectly enhancing the rich fruit characters. Two finish there is extensive length superbly completing this expansive and generous well-balanced wine. Nietschke Jack is a fine Barossa Shiraz that will cellar gracefully in the medium term.

