



## BILMORE

### 2022 SHIRAZ

Our Bilmore Shiraz is sourced from vineyards along the western ridge of the Valley floor ...an area stretching South of Seppeltsfield Road, around the back of the golf club at Rowland Flat and then on through the parish of Gomersal that overlooks the southern township of Lyndoch. Shiraz grown in these parts produces richly flavoured wines with soft, round mouth feel and plenty of delicious savoury characters. Seeking to place a pure expression of Shiraz flavour center stage here, we've gone easy on the oak using only older, seasoned barrels for the job of maturing for around 12 months.

We named this wine in honour of one of our favorite characters, the legendary 'Roger Bilmore'!

Whilst I'm sworn to secrecy and can't reveal his true identity, I can tell you that by day, 'John' is a humble Barossa grape grower, a hard working type and a man of few words. The quality of his grapes usually does his bidding. But from time to time, under cover of night and with the aid of more than a few glasses of Barossa Shiraz, John shyly retreats and his alter ego Roger Bilmore steps up to the plate to show an entirely different face.

### VINTAGE

A cooler contrast to the previous vintage, the 2022 vintage provided nice, steady ripening due largely to the absence of extreme heat.

These prevailing conditions favoured wonderful flavour development at modest sugar levels, giving rise to great intensity, vitality and brightness in the resulting wines.

### TASTING

In general, the wines from 2022 are deeply coloured and full flavoured yet they retain a fabric of finesse and vibrancy that sets the scene for a long life ahead. The 2022 Bilmore Shiraz is no exception, a rich and full flavoured wine with hints of ripe satuma plums, blackberries, dark chocolate, and a hint of licorice spice. It's a quintessential Barossan Shiraz, packed with ripe fruits and a pleasing tannin length that reflects the essence of the Barossa Valley.

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<b>VARIETY</b>	100% Shiraz
<b>SUB-REGIONS</b>	Gomersal
<b>HARVEST</b>	1st March
<b>MATURATION</b>	Seasoned for 12 months in French oak
<b>ANALYSIS</b>	pH 3.49 TA 6.0 g/L 14.8% ALC/VOL
<b>CELLAR</b>	5+ years