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2020 HEAD ‘THE BLONDE’

Shiraz
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Head Wines draws from a diverse range of Shiraz vineyards in the Barossa and Eden Valleys. To be considered part of ‘The Blonde’ a vineyard must perform amongst the top few vineyards and have well-defined perfumes, textures and supple tannins.

The base Shiraz vineyard for ‘The Blonde’ is planted in the ‘Stone Well’ parish on a small 280m rise below the western ridge of the Barossa Valley comprising a myriad of soil and rock types including red clays, sands and a deep limestone base (blonde in colour).

Small additions of Shiraz were used from Wilton Hill Vineyards in Flaxman Valley, an 1890 planted vineyard in Nuriootpa and a 1980 planted Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard from Moculta in the Eden Valley.

The 2020 vintage of ‘The Blonde’ is currently offered via ‘Allocations’ to private members and will be released to the public in August 2022. *Alex Head*

Stuart Knox
The Real Review

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“Deep and concentrated ruby-red colour in the glass. Blueberry, tapenade and dry-earth aromas. The palate sits with an intensity of fruit that is still tightly wound and controlled by fine, yet powerful tannins. White pepper, anise, blueberry and tar all come together to fill the senses and this joyous cacophony carries right to the very long end. A wine of detail and controlled power that will offer great cellaring rewards.”



RAINFALL:	321ml (April 19-March 20 avg. 471ml)
VINEYARD:	43% Stone Well, 40% Wilton Hill (Flaxman Valley), 9% Nuriootpa, 8% Moculta
VARIETAL:	92% Shiraz (1654 & BVOV clone) 8% Cabernet Sauvignon
VINE AGE:	Average 30 – 130 years
SOIL/ROCK:	Sandy loam, red & yellow clay, quartz & limestone
AVG. YIELD:	2.0t/a or 38hl/h
PRODUCTION:	300 cases
VINIFICATION:	2-5t open top stainless steel, indigenous yeast, two-week ferment, hand-plunging & pumpover twice daily
MATURATION:	On fine lees, 30% new French oak mix of 228L, 500L & 600L
BOTTLING:	July 21, minimal So2, unfinned & unfiltered
ACIDITY:	5.8 g/l
ALCOHOL:	14.6%