

# 2022 GLAETZER BISHOP

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Glaetzer Bishop is a celebration of Barossa Shiraz that is elegantly structured with a long finish.

**Variety:**

100% Shiraz

**Vineyards:**

Exceptional old vine fruit was sourced from the famed Ebenezer sub district at the northern tip of the Barossa Valley. Vine age 35—120 years old. Yield 3 tonnes per hectare.

**Vintage Conditions:**

We entered the 2022 season with an above average 2021 winter rainfall. This was beneficial in replenishing the soils and nourishing the vines prior to a dry summer with rainfall more than 20% below average. Some flowering was affected by an early Spring frost that made for a smaller crop. Summer was warm but with no major heat spikes. Late hail made another reduction to the overall crop size in Ebenezer. Indeed 2022 was far from typical vintage but with results that offer everything we could hope for. The general thought in Barossa is that 2022 offered elegance and structure combined with the solid fruit weight to make it a vintage that will last and impress. Our Shiraz definitely reflects that.

**Vinification:**

Fermented in 1 and 2 tonne open fermenters. Extended maceration was employed to enable good tannin development so the wine is soft and approachable early. Matured for 16 months in a mix of 40% new oak and 60% 2—3 year old oak hogshead barrels (100% French).

**Tasting Notes**

**Colour:** Vibrant dark cherry with purple hues.

**Aroma:** Subtle yet generous with black cherries and dried spice.

**Palate:** This is a full volume year for Bishop. The aromas are layered with so many fruits they are too numerous to name here. The usual smooth and supple texture shares flavours of black cherry, every imaginable berry, olive and black pepper. Brightness and balancing tannin offer a long finish and significant age ability.

**Peak Drinking:** Great drinking now but this wine will also benefit from up to 10 - 15 years of careful cellaring.

**Wine Analysis**

Alcohol 14.5%

Total Acidity 6.3g/l

pH 3.51

Residual Sugar 0.6g/l