



## 2016 JOSHUA GRENACHE MATARO SHIRAZ

“For anyone who has ever met my business partner Mick Page and I, it would come as no surprise to learn that the idea for Teusner Wines was conceived at the pub over a few beers. Sitting at the bar, we’d been listening to a couple of old growers have a whine about the low, low prices being paid for their old vine Grenache...to the point they were going to rip out the vines and plant Chardonnay!

Now whilst we’re not adverse to the odd glass of Chardonnay, planting it in the Barossa Valley is akin to drinking light beer...just not on! So it was left to Mick and I to hatch a rescue plan. Scrambling together some cash, the grapes found a new home, the vines stayed in the ground where they belong and Teusner Wines was born.

That first wine, like Mick’s first son, was called Joshua. The 2016 blend is true to form with Grenache (60%) and Mataro (35%) from 100 year old vines at Ebenezer in the north west with a splash of Shiraz from 20 year old vineyards at Gomersal on the western ridge. A mix of light and dark fresh ripe berried fruits, cured meats and lifted spice on the nose sets you up for mouthful of savoury and gamey flavour in the mouth. We keep our Josh’ away from oak and release it young to showcase the kind of juicy, spicy, flavorsome Barossa reds that we like to knock back over lunch with a plate of the good gear from the local butcher in Nuriootpa.”

KYM TEUSNER, WINEMAKER



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