



## The Unforgettable GSM 2020

### South Australia

Larger than life and just a little bit fruity, The Unforgettable is the perennial life and soul of the party. But underneath the jovial facade lies a thoughtful, loyal chap who never forgets who his friends are.

#### Vintage Conditions

2020 vintage conditions were perfect in many ways. A warm, dry early season gave way to a mild, sometimes cool, February and March which allowed for ripening at a very relaxed pace. Small yields across all regions concentrated the fruit flavours while the dry conditions led to low disease pressures. Sadly, the season will also be remembered for the devastating bushfires that preceded it and the unprecedented global Covid pandemic that struck right in the middle of vintage. A remarkable season in many ways and one that we hope will be remembered for all the right reasons when you taste the wines.

#### Viticulture

The fruit for the 2020 comes from Langhorne Creek and from the Riverland. Langhorne Creek is often overlooked in favour of the more glitzy McLaren Vale and Barossa but it is a region with over 160 years history and some remarkable old vineyards. Similarly, in the Riverland we work with the oldest vineyards where yields are low and quality high.

#### Winemaking

Vinification, as one might expect with good fruit, is very simple. The Grenache was hand picked in early morning before arrival at the winery where it underwent a very gentle crush and then an open ferment with twice daily hand plunging. Extended time on skins post ferment was followed by pressing and then maturation in French oak. Additions of perfectly balanced Langhorne Creek Shiraz and old vine Mataro were made and the final blend achieved with the focus on bright, exuberant yet crunchy fruit. The wine spends 4 months in older French oak.

#### Tasting

The Unforgettable is a generous blend of 3 varieties (Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro), all of whom are long-term friends that know the benefits of teamwork. Working in cahoots, they produce a wine with succulent red berry fruit with hints of spice and chocolate. A clever, friendly wine that is indeed truly Unforgettable.

**Blend:** 57% Grenache, Shiraz 30%, Mataro 13%

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Total Acidity:** 5.96 g/l

**pH:** 3.52

**Residual Sugar:** <2 g/l

**SO2:** 70 mg/l

**Vegan:** Yes

**Vegetarian:** Yes

