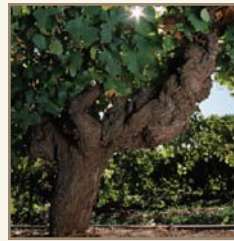


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2012 JOHN DUVAL PLEXUS MRV

WINEMAKER: John Duval
REGION: Barossa Valley and Eden Valley, South Australia
VARIETALS: Marsanne (55%), Roussanne (35%), Viognier (10%)
MATURATION: 50% in French oak (10% new) for 6 months
ALCOHOL: 13.5% alc/vol | TA: 5.6 g/L | pH: 3.34

PLEXUS: An interwoven combination of parts or elements in a structure or system

VINTAGE NOTES:

A warmer spring and cooler summer summarized the 2012 vintage conditions. Vine health was very good coming out of spring and this combined with a mild summer and only three rain events over three months during vintage, has resulted in some excellent wines being produced. Yields were generally slightly below average.

WINEMAKING NOTES:

Marsanne was hand-picked from the Marananga and Seppeltfield region, Roussanne from the Kalimna region and Viognier from Eden Valley. Gentle pressings were combined with free run juice and cold settled. Fermentation commenced in stainless steel but some of the Marsanne and Viognier finished fermentation in and was aged in barrel until bottled in late September. The remaining Marsanne and the Roussanne was aged on lees in tank until bottling, to enhance the structure and texture of the wine.

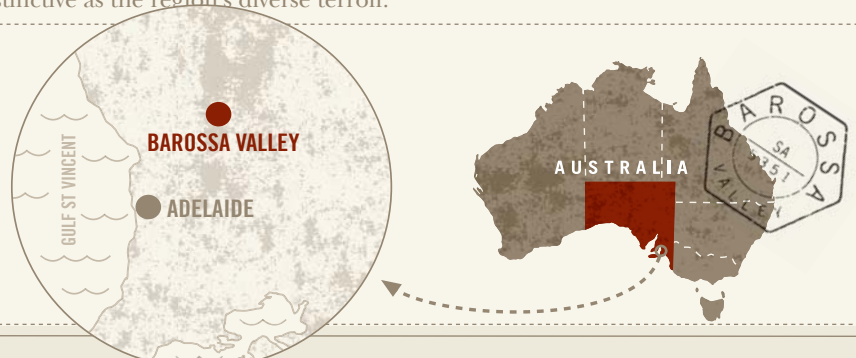
TASTING NOTES:

The aim with Plexus MRV is to promote a vibrant expression of fruit aromas from the interaction of the three varieties; and on the palate, to build structure and texture, rather than just acid crispness. The nose has fresh, lifted aromas of stone fruit, honey suckle and citrus. This is a medium-bodied wine with flavors of mandarin, pear, fennel and Asian spice characters that finishes with lingering citrus notes and minimal acidity.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 92 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, 90+ pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

ABOUT JOHN DUVAL WINES:

John Duval is one of Australia's most highly-regarded winemakers. As Chief Winemaker and custodian of Australia's famous Grange, he was instrumental in establishing Penfolds as one of the world's great wineries. Inspired by the Barossa Valley's old vine vineyards, John established his own label in 2002 and now crafts intense, focused wines that are as distinctive as the region's diverse terroir.



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