

2022 JASPER HILL GEORGIA'S PADDOCK SHIRAZ



WINEMAKERS: Ron Laughton, Emily Laughton
REGION: Heathcote, Victoria
VARIETAL: Shiraz
MATURATION: 12 months in French oak
ALCOHOL: 15.5% alc/vol

VINEYARDS: Located in central Victoria, the estate vineyards' soils are derived from Cambrian-period basaltic rock of 500-600 million years of age; quite rare because of their great age. These gravelly loams are unusually deep - up to 4 meters, rusty red colored, well drained, on undulating hillsides, with good moisture retention capabilities. No synthetic chemicals have ever been applied; only organic estate compost is applied. Georgia's Paddock was planted in 1976, with small plantings in 1987 after a brushfire.

WINEMAKING: The Jasper Hill estate vineyards, Georgia's Paddock and Emily's Paddock, yield fruit with a distinct personality, thus winemaking focuses on preserving these inherent qualities. Minimal intervention is key to the Laughton's success. Ferments run their natural course without cooling, malolactic fermentation occurs spontaneously and none of the Jasper Hill wines undergo fining prior to bottling in their on-site bottling line. These wines are a pure expression of terroir, as unique as the land on which they were grown.

TASTING NOTES: This powerful yet elegant wine carries well rounded red and black fruits on a firm tannin structure, with brilliant spice, briar, savory, earthy notes and complex texture that extends through the palate to the finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 96 pts Halliday Wine Companion

ABOUT JASPER HILL: Established in 1975 by Ron and Elva Laughton, Jasper Hill produces some of Australia's most individual and compelling Shirazes. The estate is largely responsible for establishing this area as one of Australia's greatest red wine regions. The 60-acre property comprises three vineyards, two of which are named after Ron and Elva's daughters, Emily and Georgia. Beyond these exceptional sites, it is the Laughtons' commitment to low yields, dry farming and non-interventionist, biodynamic viticultural practices that place Jasper Hill among Australia's premier producers.

