



## 2017 Teusner & Page

### BAROSSA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

“Whilst Mick Page and I are both great mates and business partners, we’re different blokes. How different? Well it depends on who you talk to...but one thing’s for sure, when it comes to who does what at Teusner Wines, we’re poles apart. I’m the bloke with his name on the label, in the spotlight, selling and promoting our wine. Mick’s the opposite, happy to take a back seat, rarely in the limelight, content to get on with the job of doing what needs to be done. Doing what comes naturally is ultimately what’s made our lives as mates and as business partners awesome! The companionship of contrasting characters can produce great results.

I’m a huge fan of Cabernet Sauvignon from this part of the world deserving as much of the spotlight as its world famous cohort Shiraz. The Barossa’s diverse landscape produces a wide array of expressions of Cabernet Sauvignon. Everyone’s allowed to have their favorites, for me that’s grown at altitude in the Eden Valley. Up there, the vineyards produce Cabernet that is well... more ‘Cabernet like’, with bright expression of classic varietal blackcurrant character, really nice acidity and fine grained tannins. In contrast, Barossa Valley Cabernet brings ‘the tasty factor’ to the glass....loads of rich, generous black fruit. In my mind, the contrasting characters of Eden Valley and Barossa Valley work extraordinarily well when they become companions in the bottle.

The Eden Valley component (75%) comes from David Forrest’s vineyard planted at around 450 meters above sea level, easily some of the best Cabernet tasted each year. The Barossa portion (25%) is from the Righteous vineyard at Marananga, just across the way from the Torbreck Laird vineyard, at around 270 meters. The fruit’s vinified separately and then matured in a 50/50 blend of new French oak barriques and older seasoned wood.

Only our second release, like it’s predecessor we left the wine in barrel for 24 months, watching it very carefully! Like the character contrast of Mick and I, this wine looks so good now, but equally has a long life ahead of it. 2017 is living up to its two names Teusner and Page! A cracker worthy of our mateship and partnership”

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