



## 2017 Izway Three Brian's Grenache

### Izway Wines Philosophy

Izway Wines is a partnership between Brian Conway and Craig Isbel based in Seppeltsfield in the Barossa Valley. We met during vintage at Chateau du Blizard in Beaujolais in 2002. Our wine making is simple and minimalistic and is based on old world, hands on techniques. We ferment our wines using indigenous yeast, limit our acid additions as much as possible, we rarely use nutrient, never use tannin or any other additions and we never fine or filter our wines. We both love the purity and energy of natural wines and these are the styles that we are emulating. We would like to think our wines are a true expression of the terroir from which they are sourced and all our winemaking philosophies are based around expressing terroir as truly as possible.

### 2017 Vintage Comments

2017 saw a continuation of the stellar run of great vintages in the Barossa Valley, and although each display striking differences, all harvests since 2012 will stand the test of time. High Winter and Spring rainfall as well as comparatively cold conditions through harvest guided the profiles of the 2017 wines. The summer was warm but not hot and there were no extended heat waves. The wines are defined by delicate, vibrant aromatics and elegant structures, particularly the Grenache while the Shiraz maintains its powerful persona. Another classic Barossa Harvest for both the cellar and the dinner table.

### Vineyard & Wine

The Grenache vineyard on our home property in Seppeltsfield is indisputably our favourite vineyard that we make wine from. Planted in 1901, the gnarled and twisted bush vines each have their own personality and we have wrested many of them back to life since 2006. In our opinion Grenache is the variety that is most suited to the marginal soils and warm climate of the Barossa Valley; even more so than its more famous counterpart Shiraz. We have made it an aspiration to make the best Grenache wines we possibly can and to inspire people to drink more of this underrated varietal. The Three Brian's is a fickle vineyard but when it works it undoubtedly produces some of the finest fruit in the world.

**Vineyard:** Izway Home Block

**Sub Appellation:** Seppeltsfield

**Planted:** 1901

**Elevation:** 257 metres

**Soil:** Red Clay with scattered ironstone, bluestone & limestone

