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2023 IRONSTONE RIDGE GRENACHE TEMPRANILLO



This classic Spanish blend bursts with aromas of cherry and orange peel over notes of fragrant violets and amaro. The inclusion of whole clusters provides extra lift to the nose. The palate opens soft, juicy, and sweetly fruited, combining crunchy black cherries and red liquorice from the Grenache, with Tempranillo adding structure, spice and appealing savouriness. A wine inspired by a trip through the Iberian Peninsula and many hours dedicated to food and wine enjoyment in the shade of tapas bars...

VINTAGE REPORT

A season of great balance, which produced wines of grace, perfume, and longevity. Winter was wet and cooler than average, and we experienced a cool but dry spring across the Margaret River region. Good flowering conditions resulted in good bunch numbers and weights, producing good yields after three years of tiny crops. Summer was one of the driest on record with relatively mild temperatures leading into January; these conditions delayed canopy development but January brought fantastic weather with warm, sunny, and breezy days as hoped, but without any temperature spikes and heat stress. Excellent diurnal temperature variation was a constant of this season, setting us up for a highly aromatic vintage and perfect phenological ripeness of the skins and seeds. All red varieties loved the dryer conditions and are showing excellent potential with nerve, beautiful purple colours, and vibrant aromatics.

WINE MAKING

From a small, hilltop section within the western ridge at Hazel's Vineyard that is particularly gravelly we hand-picked these two parcels and fermented them separately with the aim of showcasing aromatics above all. 67% Grenache and 33% Tempranillo, we didn't use any oak in the process, and the wine was matured in concrete for 12 months before bottling. A wine unlike any other in the region, we named it after the predominant soil type of this exceptional site.

VINEYARD

100% Hazel's Vineyard - biodynamically farmed and our southernmost vineyard. Hazel's combines cooling Southern Ocean influences (12km from the ocean) with a northerly aspect and plenty of sunshine. Certified Biodynamic - 120 cases produced.

GRAPES

67% Grenache | 33% Tempranillo

ANALYSIS

Alc 14%

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