

2023 ESTATE GRENACHE

We have three small bush vine vineyards on the Coriole estate with majority of our estate grown grenache going to the Grenache Mourvèdre Shiraz blend, Dancing Fig. We like to reserve the best 2–3 barrels that display quintessential McLaren Vale grenache characters for this single bottling.

Tasting notes

Our grenache highlights the aromatic quality of the variety whilst maintaining good structure and intensity of fruit. Wild strawberry, raspberry, pomegranate and white pepper present on the nose with lifted orange oil and lavender aromatics. Cherries, blackberries and blood orange fill out the palate with long lithe tannin. A pretty, floral wine.

Serving suggestion

Match grenache with charcuterie, duck or BBQ quail. For a vegetarian option, pair grenache with fior de latte cheese and smoked eggplant.

Winemaker says

The Estate Grenache comes from our bush vines, directly in the front of the winery. The soils naturally produce a savoury wine, so we do 20% whole bunch and soft extraction during fermentation to get more floral aromatics and prettiness.

Technical notes

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale Varietal comp: 100% Grenache Alcohol: 14.5% Total acidity: 5.0 g/L pH: 3.65 GF: 0.3 g/L

2023 vintage

The 2023 vintage will be remembered for the La Niña conditions, particularly the wet and cool conditions which dominated spring 2022. We had a late start to 2023 with the first reds picked in March. Naturally moderate yields and careful management mitigated any disease pressure resulting in clean, healthy fruit at harvest. Yields were looking low across most varieties with fiano, sangiovese and shiraz all coming in lower than average. Piquepoul was a highlight in the winery, and across the board, the 2023 red wines feature bright fruit characters with good length and ripeness of tannin.





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