

2023 NERO

The grape variety Nero d'Avola was originally grown in southern Sicily and thrives in a warm, Mediterranean climate, a very suitable variety for the McLaren Vale region. Coriole produces a fruit forward, youthful and vibrant early drinking style. This is Coriole's eighth commercial release.

Tasting notes

Abundant with aromas of macerated cherry and ripe strawberry with notes of rosehip and wild thyme. The palate is medium bodied with summer berry flavours, pomegranate, white pepper and amaro notes. A wonderfully easy drinking wine with intensity of flavour, a velvety, round palate, fine, supple tannins and a delicate, lingering finish.

Serving suggestion

Simple and tasty foods such as a charcuterie platter, a mix of antipasta, mushroom arancini balls or a Napoli style pizza. This wine can be enjoyed day or night, rain or shine.

Winemaker says

The Nero is sourced from two vineyards on the Coriole estate. One vineyard is handpicked with 30% whole bunches included in the ferment to highlight the aromatic qualities of the variety. The other vineyard is machine harvested and undergoes a more 'classic' fermentation. Both parcels are seasoned in mature oak for five months and blended before bottling.

Technical notes

Region (GI): 100% McLaren Vale Varietal comp: 100% Nero d'Avola Alcohol: 14.1% Total acidity: 5.71 g/L pH: 3.62 GF: 0.3 g/L

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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.

