

— GREAT SOUTHERN — WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TASTING NOTES

2018 Singlefile 'Small Batch' Clonal Syrah

Frankland River, Great Southern

SINGLEFILE SMALL BATCH COLLECTION

We would like to introduce you to a project that we have been working on for a few years that we can now share with you - the Singlefile 'Small Batch' Collection. From time to time we see small parcels of fruit that stand out in the vineyard or winery and this project gives us the opportunity for those small parcels to have their own voice. It may be a barrel or two, an unusual variety, a particular clone or even a section of the vineyard that ripens differently - we don't necessarily wish to define rules other than to presume these will be 'one-off' wines, will be made with minimal intervention and only when we see something unique or special. The 'X' on the label represents the chalk marking made on the first barrels set aside for this project.

Small Batch Project: #5

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

This wine is made from 100% Waldron clone shiraz (also known as heritage or mission clone originating from Hawkes Bay, NZ). The Waldron clone is known to be more delicate than the typical #470 clone found in Frankland River.

After picking and sorting on 11th April 2018, fermentation took place in open fermenters, and maceration was gentle lasting 20 days with minimal pump-overs. The wine was then aged in low toast French oak barriques for twelve months and aged in bottle prior to release. Made with minimum effective sulphites, it was not fined and only minimally filtered.

THE WINE

A bouquet of ground spices, black berries and spicy aromatics. Ripe but elegant flavours of black fruits and spice with oak playing a supporting role. Nice drying tannins with a very long finish. The tannins and flavours are poised to express themselves in the years to come.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alc: 13.7%

pH: 3.95

TA: 5.00 g/L

Cellaring: 10+ years

