

TASTING NOTES

2020 Singlefile 'Small Batch' Mataro

Small Batch Project: #12

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

Mataro (also known as mourvèdre or monastrell) is probably best known as the 'M' in "GSM". Singlefile has been producing Clément V, a GSM blend, for a number of years. The 2020 mataro looked exceptional; hence we made the decision to produce a single varietal mataro.

The fruit is from the Riversdale Vineyard in Frankland River, Great Southern. Mataro is well suited to the warm days and cold nights of the sub-region and it prospers in the gravelly soils.

Harvested on 25th March 2020, the fruit was picked and cold soaked for three days in a small open fermenter. Wild fermentation started naturally and a select yeast strain was added to the ferment. The wine was pressed into French oak barrels where it stayed for ten months before bottling.

THE WINE

A medium bodied mataro with earthy aromas, blueberry, plum and spice. These characters follow through on the palate with a medium weight and textured mouthfeel. Oak takes a back seat as the fine tannins lead to a long and flavoursome finish.

94 points, Winestate Wines of the West Awards, May/June 2022

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alc: 13.6% pH: 3.77 TA: 5.6 g/L Cellaring: 10+ years

