

singlefile Wines

— GREAT SOUTHERN
WESTERN AUSTRALIA —

TASTING NOTES

2023 Singlefile Great Southern Malbec *Great Southern, Western Australia*

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

The Malbec grape originates from France, the majority found in the Cahors region, a small town in the south-west. Because of the grapes' thin skin it is susceptible to poor weather and the pests of the region and it never surfaced as a top French variety. However, it is a common blending grape used in many of the great wines of Bordeaux. It also found a new home in Mendoza, Argentina where a French botanist planted it by order of the mayor in 1868. It is increasingly being celebrated as an Argentine varietal.

There are only very small plantings of malbec in the Great Southern wine region. This 2023 Great Southern Malbec fruit was picked and sorted on 20th April 2023. It was cold soaked in small fermenters for two days before undergoing an extended and gentle maceration allowing for the softening of the tannins with the goal of creating a wine with structure and texture along with the natural juicy flavour profile of malbec. Twenty five percent of the wine was matured in new Bordeaux oak barriques. The balance went to two- and three-year old Bordeaux barriques for seven months maturation before final preparation for bottling in December 2023.

THE WINE

This wine displays bright and lifted perfumed aromas of dark fruits including plums and blackberries as well as subtle hints of chocolate and spicy oak. The wine is effortlessly mouth filling with a lovely soft and juicy red fruit flavour profile balanced with natural acidity and gentle fine-grained tannins which provide structure to a long finish.

92 points, Wine Showcase, March 2024

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alc: 14.2% pH: 3.57 TA: 5.3 g/L Cellaring: Up to 12 years

