

2013 Singlefile Clément V

Riversdale Vineyard Frankland River, Great Southern



Vineyard & Winemaking

The continental cool climate sub-region of Frankland River sits within the north-west corner of the Great Southern wine region (latitude 34°39'S). The Riversdale vineyard, from which this fruit was sourced, is located 7kms north west of the Frankland River township. It was planted in 1997 on deep gravel over clay soils, on a north-south orientation.

This wine is a blend of the classic Rhone varieties of Mataró (also known as Mourvèdre), Shiraz and Grenache. The fruit was picked over a few days in the last week of March, sorted and cold soaked in small fermenters for ten days, before undergoing an extended and gentle maceration, the varietal batches kept separate throughout. Thirty percent of the wine was matured in new oak barriques, the balance went to one and two year old barriques for nine months.

The wine acknowledges the role Clement V, formerly from Bordeaux, in playing a key role in the establishment of viticulture in the Southern Rhone, the wine region later becoming known as Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The principal varieties of this region Grenache, Shiraz and Mataró.

The Wine

A medium bodied blend of Mataró, Shiraz and Grenache, this wine has bright, perfumed aromatics of red fruits and spice with a subtle savoury edge. The palate is plush, with a smoothly textured mouth feel with fine grained chewy tannins. Medium bodied and well suited to complement food.

Technical Specifications

Alc: 14.5% pH: 3.86 TA: 5.17 g/L rs: 0 g/L

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