



THE LOST PLOT

## SGM 2023

### Tasting Notes

Give this some air and let the wine reveal itself. Red berry and black cherry mingle with green olive, cured meat and spices. The palate is fluid with all the elements in harmony and proportion. Expressive and elegant.

### Varieties

Shiraz 70%, Grenache 15%, Mourvèdre 15%

### Terroir

The Merindoc vineyard at Tooborac, VIC, sits on decomposed granite with sandy loam, located at the cooler southern end of the Heathcote region. The Willoughby vineyard's red Cambrian soil, with high levels of calcium, sits on the east facing slopes in the north of Heathcote, near Corop, Vic. The vineyards are on the traditional lands of the Taungurung people.

### Viticulture

Grapes grown on the Shelmerdine family vineyards. Weeding with use of sheep, with sulphur and copper used to avoid onset of disease.

### Yield

2.0-2.5 tonnes/acre

### Vintage Date

24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (Grenache and Mourvèdre) 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 (Shiraz)

### Vintage Notes

Characterised by a cooler, wetter growing season. Harvest was cooler than average with occasional rain prolonging the ripening period. Astute vineyard management allowed us to harvest perfectly ripened, clean fruit, producing elegant, aromatic wines that offer lovely expression of place.

### Vinification

Shiraz –hand harvested and wild yeast ferment in wooden vat and puncheon. 20-25% whole bunch and 18 days on skins, pressed to French oak hogsheads, mainly second use.  
Grenache and Mourvèdre - Hand harvested and de-stemmed to co-ferment. with 100% de-stemmed, 18 days on skins, pressed to older French oak barrique and puncheon.

### Bottling

7<sup>th</sup> June 2024

### Figures

Alc 13.4%, pH 3.67 , TA 6.00

