



THE LOST PLOT

The Heathcote SGM 2021

Dark berries, mulberry and black cherry with allspice, nutmeg and green pepper. Plenty of perfume and fragrance on the nose. The palate is medium weight and shows a lighter shade of fruit than the nose. Fine integrated tannins carry the fruit to a pleasing, long savoury finish.

Varieties

Shiraz 63%

Grenache 24%

Mourvèdre 13%

Terroir

The Merindoc vineyard at Tooborac, Victoria 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.

Vintage Date

Shiraz – 30th March, 2021

Grenache and Mourvèdre – 12th March, 2021

Vinification

Shiraz – hand harvested and wild yeast ferment in three separate lots – one de-stemmed, one 25% whole bunch, one 50% whole bunch. 16 days on skins, pressed to French oak, 18% new hogsheads.

Grenache and Mourvèdre - Hand harvested and de-stemmed to separate ferments with 20% whole bunches in the Mourvèdre. 17 days on skins, pressed to French oak barrique and puncheon.

Yield

2.0-2.5 tonnes/acre

Ageing

20% whole bunch, 10% new Hogsheads. 12 months in oak, two months in stainless steel pre-bottling.

Bottling

5th July 2022

Figures

Alcohol 14%

pH 3.69

TA 5.63

