

PEPPERTREE

VARIETAL RANGE 2021 Cool Climates Shiraz

This Shiraz is a focus on style and expression. Vibrant florals and hints of pepper fill the nose while the palate is layered with juicy red fruits, complex spice notes and a great acid line.

VINTAGE

vintage for many years which led to slow balanced Limestone Coast wine zone. The prominent ripening. The quality of the resulting wines is viticultural feature of the area is the series of considered by many locals to be the best for 40 ancient beach ridges and dunes which run years. The cool weather allowed for complete roughly north-south through the area. These flavour ripening by time sugar ripeness was achieved. This produced great balance across all varieties and exceptional colour and flavour Terra Rossa clay loam soils so highly prized for depth in all varieties.

The most outstanding vintage for many years

ORANGE - experienced damp cool conditions in Spring and early Summer leading to favourable slow ripening conditions for whites. Reds ripened slowly and were picked late in the season with good colour and acid balance.

The overall assessment of the Orange 2021 vintage was that it was a cool late ripening vintage which gave wines of great balance and flavour with good ageing potential.

APPELLATION/ GI

Wrattonbully (SA) 90% Orange (NSW) 10%

WINEMAKING

Our Shiraz blocks are individually selected at optimum ripeness and flavour balance, with the fruit being sorted and de-stemmed in the vineyard. After cold soaking for a period of three days, the fruit is then inoculated with specially selected yeast strains, cultured to produce a wine characterised by dark red and black fruits, framed by a subtle spice. These fruit characters are complimented by a twelve month period of oak maturation, with the wine remaining in French oak puncheons before being blended and bottled.

VINEYARD

WRATTONBULLY - experienced the coolest WRATTONBULLY - is located in the ridges are made up of soft crumbly limestone which weathers to produce the red and brown grape growing. The ridges and dunes have elevations of up to 30m compared with the neighbouring regions to the south with Terra Rossa 'high' of less than 5m. The extra elevation on the Wrattonbully dunes produce the advantage of cold air drainage which reduces the risk of frost during the growing season.

> ORANGE - is one of Australia's premium regions favoured for its high altitude cool climate. Situated approximately 270 km west of Sydney the topography and soils of the Orange region are dominated by the extinct volcano Mt Canobolas. The present day peak of the mountain is at 1400m and vineyards in the region are planted at elevations as high as 1100m with the lowest elevations in the region being 600m. Soils in the central part of the region are derived from the basaltic lavas of the old volcano, and primarily consist of deep red to brown free draining clay loams.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:	
BLEND:	Shiraz
BOTTLING DATE:	07/2023
PH:	3.67
TA:	5.7 g/l
ALC/VOL:	14.0%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.3



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