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2023 SINGLE SITE GRENACHE

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MCLAREN VALE

More than any other variety planted in McLaren Vale, Grenache tastes of the place from which it is grown. With this in mind, we created a pair of single site Grenaches, hoping to capture the unique terroir of each sub-region.

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Spice Garden

SUB-REGION:
Blewitt Springs

PLANTED:
1939 (bush vines)

ASPECT:
Gentle north facing

SOIL/GEOLOGY:
White Maslin sand, over
ironstone

ELEVATION:
190m above sea level

Silk & Stone

SUB-REGION:
Clarendon

PLANTED:
1922 (bush vines)

ASPECT:
Steep south facing

SOIL/GEOLOGY:
Dark loam, over ironstone
and clay

ELEVATION:
230m above sea level

Both were hand-picked, destemmed with some whole cluster retained and fermented wild in open vats. They were hand plunged daily, on skins for 3 weeks for Spice Garden, 3.5 weeks for Silk & Stone. Maturation followed, on gross lees in old French oak puncheons for 7 months before bottling.

VARIETY: 100% GRENACHE
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