

Harvested from the Westlake family's Moppa vineyard. Soil profile is shallow red brown top soils over heavy red clays, scattered with ironstone and quartz.

Colour

Bright cherry red with crimson hues.

Aroma

Delicate floral perfumes with red cherry and blackcurrant.

Taste

Subtle varietal hints of roasted capsicum and sage add textural and savoury character to layers of black fruit. A mineral edged tannin profile defines the palate and clearly expresses place and terroir.

Region

Moppa, Barossa Valley

Vineyard

Westlake Vineyards

Vinification

Harvested and de-stemmed without crushing. Fermented in open slate fermenters for 7-10 days with regular pump-overs to maintain a consistent fermentation temperature of 20-24°C.

Drained and basket pressed before being transferred to a combination of new (20%) and seasoned French oak barrels 18 months. Bottled un-filtered and un-fined

Vintage

Low rainfall in the lead-up to the 2019 vintage resulted in low bunch numbers and small berries.

Heat in the early stages of ripening saw intense tannin and colour development in the berries and the flavours of the dark fruit spectrum emerge. The wines of this vintage are deeply coloured and possess bold and intense tannin structure that will allow long cellaring.

Alcohol by volume

14.5%

Enjoy with

Beef short ribs, treacle glaze, celeriac and mushroom.

Ideal drinking window

Drink now or look at in 2-3 years, 7-10 years for extended cellaring.

