

WILLOW BRIDGE — ESTATE —

2022 G.S.M Grenache Shiraz Mataro

Estate grown from the spectacular hillside vineyard in the Ferguson Valley of the Geographe wine region, fruit is sourced from 1998 plantings of Shiraz and more recent plantings of Grenache and Mataro.

A blend made famous in the Rhône Valley of France, Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro are blended to make a juicy, vibrant and fresh wine blend of medium body and clean tannin. Whilst we have had Shiraz planted at Willow Bridge since 1997, Grenache and Mataro have been recent and exciting additions grafted in 2015. For the two cultivars, we chose sites on the vineyard which maximise heat exposure, giving the best opportunity to ripen and express full array of flavours.

Mataro is a late ripening variety, so the extended period on the vine is essential. Grenache is a prolific yielding variety requiring fruit thinning to achieve best balance of quality and tannin.



Winemaking

Variety	Grenache 46%, Shiraz 46%, Mataro 8%
Region	Geographe 100%
Alcohol	13.5%
PH	3.53
Total Acidity	5.28 grams per litre
Fermentation	Crushed cool to fermenters for eight days, peak temperature 28 degrees celsius. 100% barrel matured in new and older french oak. Racked periodically, the wine retains a sense of place and purity, highlighting the unique Ferguson Valley.

Tasting Note/Flavour Profile

Crimson colour, lifted fresh fruits, raspberry creams and blackberry, on an unctuous palate. Fleshy and plump with generous fine tannins.

Cellaring

Up to 15 years.

