

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

2018 'LOS COMPAÑEROS' SHIRAZ TEMPRANILLO

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

One of the newer additions to the line up, the Los Compañeros is a blend of 80% Shiraz and 20% Tempranillo. Perfect blending companions, Tempranillo provides aromatic lift and a rustic textural element to the soft richness of the Shiraz. No new oak here, so the fruit really sings. 2018 was an extremely good red vintage for Clare, slightly warmer than average, but vineyards by and large achieved a great balance of fruit and acid.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Fruit Source: Estate Grown Variety: 80% Shiraz, 20%

Tempranillo Vintage: 2018

Region: Polish Hill, Clare Valley Fermentation: Wild yeast, open

fermenters, gentle cap management

Alc/Vol 14%

pH 3.49 **TA** 6.07 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Medium deep red.

Aroma: A vibrant display of red and blue jubey fruits, intertwined with five spice and cinnamon. Charry oak and some herbal characters adding complexity.

Palate: The soft blue and red berry characters follow on to the palate. Shiraz providing a mouthful of plush spicey-sweet fruit, whilst Tempranillo plays its hand by contributing a deliciously rustic, savoury tannin profile.

Summary: Los Compañeros is Spanish for 'The Companions' as Shiraz and Tempranillo really do keep great company. A wine that really is greater than the sum of its parts. Delicious on release, meant to be consumed in its youth. Try with Chicken Paella.

ABOUT PIKES

Pikes Wines is grounded by family. From brothers to sons, since 1984 when the Pike family first stepped foot on Polish Hill River soil and decided to make wine together.

Our site is unique, with tough acidic soils overlaying ancient dark grey siltstone of the Kadlunga Slate formation, which has lay beneath Polish Hill River for 650 million years.

Our wine style is elegant and refined, yet approachable. A style that has been forged over many years by geology and geography, viticultural learnings, and a hands-off winemaking approach. A style that celebrates this special place we call home

Pikes Tasting Room

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Tasting Room: 10am - 4pm daily

SLATE Restaurant, open for lunch: 12pm - 3pm daily



