S.B.W. #7 (Small Batch Wine) 2019 Simpatico ~ Shiraz Cabernet ~



Each vintage, our winemakers keep a few special barrels aside allowing them to experiment with various varietal, vineyard and regional compositions. These wines are as limited as they are unique and as such, are generally only made available through our cellar door.

Viticulture

Simpatico is the culmination of two stunning parcels of fruit: McLaren Vale Shiraz from the Upper Tintara Vineyard located in Blewitt Springs and Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon from the Abbey Vineyard at the southern end of Coonawarra with classic Terra Rossa over limestone soils.

Winemaking

The moniker "Simpatico" speaks to these two grape varieties, both celebrated in their respective regions and how they come together in harmony to create what has become affectionately known as "The Great Australian Red".

McLaren Vale Shiraz was harvested on 28th February 2019 and the Coonawarra Cabernet component harvested on 12th April. Fermented on skins for 10 and 11 days respectively. The final blend of the wine was a 58:42 split between the Shiraz and Cabernet. The resulting wine underwent 14 months maturation in seasoned oak French hogsheads & barriques before being bottled in December 2020.

58% Shiraz 42% Cabernet Sauvignon

Tasting Notes

- **Colour:** Deep red with magenta hues.
- **Aroma:** Lifted aromatics of blackberry, dark plum, a hint of cherry with great complexity
- **Palate:** The palate is rich and generous with flavours of dark fruits and chocolate. A lovely balance of oak with fine tannins leading into a long persistent finish.

Analysis

ALC 14.5% | pH 3.53 | TA 6.0g/L





