

2018 MCLAREN VALE 'RENDE' GRENACHE



GRENACHE SOURCED FROM RENDE VINEYARD BLEWITT SPRINGS. MCLAREN VALE

The Vanguardist range represents the epitome of what we are about. Pushing the realms of standard winemaking to deliver intrigue, excitement and utmost quality...without any loss of sense of place. Ultimate dedication to the craft of viticulture and winemaking, encapsulated in a bottle - through our lens.

VINEYARD AND WINERY

The summer of 2018 was brutal, due to several above 40degree days which stressed even our dry grown goblet vines. However, we saw an excellent quality of Grenache across several different hand picks, albeit a lowly yield of around 20HL/Ha, which is 40% below the long-term average.

Selected from the second of three picks, a very small and special parcel stood out, that encapsulated the essence and vision of Vanguardist in a single 900kg ferment.

The final wine sees around 60% whole bunch. Left on skins for 40 days, before being basket pressed. Elevage took place in a single 600lt demi muid for 12 months. Rende was bottled without fining or filtration.

> 700 bottles produced Closure: MA Silva 45x25mm natural cork (1 by 1 TCA tested) FSO2: at bottling 38ppm **TSO2: 70ppm**

pH: 3.33 TA: 6.2g/L **Alcohol: 13.3%**