

2019 **CLARE VALLEY** RIESLING



SOURCED FROM CHURINGA VINEYARD WATERVALE, CLARE VALLEY

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 2019 was brutal and continued to hit the dry grown Churinga Vineyard especially hard. We saw an excellent quality of Riesling over three separate hand picks. Yields were similar to 2018, around 28HL/Ha which is 25% below the long-term average.

The bunches and berries were small, and some exposure to extra light had left potential phenolic quantity higher than previous years. All picks were foot crushed and held for approx 6 hours before pressing. Handled very oxidatively, and rough racked after a day to one year old Slovanian oak foudre, where fermentation both primary and MLF took place. Elevage continued in foudre and a couple of old barriques, for almost a year prior to being bottled without fining or filtration.

> 250 dozen produced + 5 dozen Magnums Closure: MA Silva 45x25mm natural cork (one by one TCA tested) FSO2: at bottling 10ppm **TSO2: 43ppm**

pH: 2.97 TA: 7.1g/L **Alcohol: 12.2%**