



2020 MCHENRY HOHNEN GRENACHE

A tiny, very gravelly section of dirt within the Grenache block at Hazel's Vineyard. On the nose intriguing aromas of blood orange, star anise and primary red fruits are complemented by dry herbs such as wild thyme and saltbush. The palate is juicy yet dense and concentrated with liquorice and spiced plums all framed by sandy and long tannins, a benchmark for this fascinating variety.

Vintage Report

We were blessed with near perfect growing conditions in Margaret River in 2020. A warmer than usual Spring, a dry, sunny Summer and cool nights. Significant diurnal temperature variations meant perfect ripening conditions across all of our dry grown vineyards. No disease and virtually no bird pressure (particularly at the start of harvest) meant we were able to pick beautifully clean fruit at ideal ripeness and flavour levels ... A real treat for our winemaking team. The only downside was exceptionally low yields across all varieties. Our dry farmed vineyard responded to the drier seasonal conditions by producing tiny and light bunches with small berries. Consequently, the fruit has incredible concentration and has retained a lovely natural acidity.

Grapes

100% Grenache

District of Origin

100% Margaret River

Vineyard

100% Hazel's Vineyard. Our southernmost vineyard further inland than our Burnside and Calgardup vineyards. Hazel's combines cooling Southern Ocean influences with a northerly aspect and plenty of sunshine. Certified Biodynamic.

Winemaking

This 1 tonne batch was hand-harvested and fermented with whole clusters in a sealed fermenter. Maceration lasted for 7 days and then the fruit was gently pressed to old French oak for malo-lactic and maturation which lasted for just over 10 months. A further 12 months maturation in bottle followed before release.

Analysis Alc 14.5%

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