# LONGVIEW

### **MACCLESFIELD**

## 2022 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

## ADELAIDE HILLS

Violets. Capsicum. Mulberries. Velvet. Sinewy. Brooding. Perfect pairing—Duck a-l' Orange.

#### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 season started cool during flowering, some varieties were affected worse than others and only produced 50% of their usual production. Whilst dry seasons usually mean warm weather, 2022 gave us a cool and long ripening vintage. Wonderful flavour development at low sugar levels and high acids were seen all through all varietals. Whilst the yield was down across the board, 2022 will be remembered as one of the best vintages Longview has ever seen. This is no mean feat considering the outstanding 2021 vintage.

# VINEYARD & WINEMAKING NOTES

Cabernet Sauvignon needs constant attention on our vineyard. Yes, we have a near-perfect site for the vines; ample sun to ripen tannin and cool nights to retain natural acidity. However, being in a coolclimate, ensuring they get enough sun (but not so much that the wine is jammy) and enough shade (but not enough for the wine to be green), is a delicate balancing act. Hand-picked fruit is delivered to the winery after chilling overnight. It is crushed and de-stemmed into open fermenters, where pump overs occur throughout the day. Following primary fermentation, the Cabernet sees up to 10 days further on skins, then pressed, settled, and racked into old French oak puncheons to undergo malolactic fermentation. It then ages in barrel for a further 15 months.

# TASTING NOTES

Brilliant garnet in colour, the aromatics are shy to begin with but coax you in with lilting iris', mulberries and black fruits with a chalky, gravelly undertone. The palate is a sublime melange of raspberries and concentrated cassis. The tannin structure is profound and it is clear that this is a wine that, although thoroughly alluring now, will unfurl its true personality in 15 years or more.

#### WINE ANALYSIS

Variety	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	13.5%
Residual Sugar	.00 g/L
g/LpH	3.58
Total Acidity	6.1 g/L
Bottled	Aug 2023

