## YARRA YERING

# 2022 DRY RED WINE NO. 2

96% SHIRAZ, 2% MARSANNE, 1.5% MATARO, 0.5% VIOGNIER

Alcohol: 13.5%

#### **VINES**

1969 plantings of Shiraz and Marsanne, with additional Shiraz planted across the 1990's, Mataro, Marsanne & Viognier drawn from vines planted from 1984 to 1995.

#### WINEMAKING

Fruit was hand-picked, transferred across a sorting table and destemmed directly to the Yarra Yering half-tonne open-fermenters. As much whole berry as possible is retained to encourage perfume. A small portion of fermenters had frozen Viognier skins; tiny yields this year, added to the bottom. The wine was aged for 15 months in French oak barriques, 25% new before blending and bottling.

#### **WINE**

Complex and layered; sweet and savoury all at once. The fragrance is a melting pot of violets, cranberry, plums, a whisker of bramble and fragrant five spice. Moderate in weight; the summer pudding fruits come in all colours dialling up the flavour. There is cigar box and cardamom spice lending intrigue. Firm yet fine tannins ably support the fruit and texture drive the palate.

### **CELLARING**

Approachable in its youth, but gains complexity with age. It has a proven track record and thus will evolve for 20+ years under suitable cellaring, though medium-term aging also offers rewards.

#### **ACCOLADES**

Langton's Classified, 8th Edition Red Wine of The Year - Halliday Wine Companion, 2025 Shiraz of The Year - Halliday Wine Companion, 2025 99 Points - Halliday Wine Companion, 2025 96 Points - Huon Hooke, The Real Review, 2024

