

SMITHY'S BLEND #8



THE STORY

Smithy's Blend was created to reward our Wine Club members with a mouthfilling, easy drinking red wine at an attractive price. A great introduction to the Warrabilla style, built on generous fruit flavours with balanced tannin and oak.

THE FRUIT

A blend of Durif (35%), Shiraz (30%), Cabernet Sauvignon (25%) and Grenache (10%) from our home, Parola's and Gooramadda (grower) vineyards.

GROWING

An ideal 2021 vintage with a cool growing season through spring and early summer, and low disease pressure. A mild to warm ripening period with settled weather, allowing grapes to achieve ideal levels of ripeness.

WINEMAKING

Varieties were harvested at ideal ripeness and vinified separately, before being pressed to mostly American Oak puncheons, with a smattering of French. Matured for an average of nine months in oak, prior to Smithy assembling the final blend to his exacting standards.

THE NUMBERS

Harvest: March 2021
pH: 3.50
TA: 6.80
Alcohol: 14.5%

TASTING NOTE

Crimson with vivid purple highlights.

Floral raspberry, blueberry and bloodplum notes rise from the glass, with a hint of confectionary musk sticks pointing to the Grenache component.

A long and flowing palate, with mouth filling red and blue fruits, balanced by spicy, supple tannins. Oak is judiciously handled with a dusting of allspice, cocoa and roasted nuts adding interest.

Near irresistible now, though will continue to integrate and drink well over the coming 3-5 years.



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