



KILIKANOON

CLARE VALLEY

WALTON 1946

2022 GRENACHE



Planted in 1946, the Walton old block Grenache is a monument to the history of the Clare Valley. These dry-grown bush vines are planted in terra rossa soils allowing excellent drainage. The gently sloping block with westerly aspect and rows running east/west perfectly captures the sun's rays while avoiding the harsh summer sun.

PLACE

33°59'46.6"S 138°40'12.6"E

Single Vineyard - Walton, Watervale, South Australia

Altitude - 380m

Soil - Red brown earth over limestone

Our grapes are grown on Ngadjuri country.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A dry, cool autumn in 2021 lead into good winter rains. Above average spring falls gave way to a very cool, dry summer of 2022. These conditions slowed the ripening of the grapes, resulting in full flavours and focused natural acidities. Overall conditions were reminiscent of those seen a decade ago. These factors were ideal for the variety, making it a superb vintage where the quantity and quality were exceptional.

WINEMAKING

Sourced from un-irrigated bush vines planted in 1946, the grapes were selectively hand-picked and carefully transported to the winery in early April 2022. Fermented over 14 days in small, shallow open vats with 5% whole bunch, the must was worked with a gentle pump-over regime, often just wetting the cap. Basket pressed with minimal intervention allowed the vineyard to fully express itself. Matured on lees in seasoned French oak puncheons for 16 months to tame and impart elegance to the tannin structure.

COLOUR

Deep carmine with a bright cardinal hue.

NOSE

A perfumed blend of currants, cherry wood and dried berries. Potpourri, graphite and tea leaf add to this dazzling array of aromas.

PALATE

Savoury fruit and clove evolve into subtle notes of kirsch, dried cranberries and boysenberry. Earthy spice and chalky tannins support a balanced structure and provide length and texture that linger on the palate.

AWARDS



TECHNICAL

Alcohol: 14.5%

Acidity: 6.2 g/L

WINEMAKER

Peter Warr & Mercedes Paynter

Last Tasted:
12th Nov 2025

CELLARING

Now until 2035