

GLEN GARVALD

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2021 GLEN GARVALD ROSE



Vintage	2021
Varietal blend	51% Grenache: 21% Shiraz: 11% Pinot Noir; 8% Merlot; 6% Mourvèdre: 3% Carignan
Harvest date(s)	22 February (Pinot Noir); 18 March (Merlot); 22 March (Shiraz); 8 April (Grenache, Mourvèdre & Carignan) 2021
Bottling date	27 September 2021
Oak treatment	Fermented in old 500-litre French oak puncheons
Alcohol content	13.0%
Analysis	<1.0 g/litre
Preservative	Sulphur dioxide (220)
Aging potential	3+ years
Winemaking	Sourced predominantly from our 2015 Estate plantings of Rhône grape varieties, all fruit was hand-picked, hand-sorted then destemmed or crushed. Juice for this wine was drawn as a saignée (juice run-off) portion from each of the component varieties. Juice was racked to old puncheons for natural fermentation prior to blending for maturation on lees in a concrete vat.
Winemaker's notes	This wine takes its varietal and stylistic cues from the intensely dry and savoury styles of France's southern Rhône Valley where Grenache Noir is the major variety cultivated and utilized in rosé and red wine production. The 2021 vintage Glen Garvald Rosé represents our follow-up foray into tapping into the potential of Grenache and its sun-loving Mediterranean stablemates as stand-alone varieties and malleable blends presenting us options as possible future strengths and mainstays of the Yarra Valley. Featuring beguiling aromas of macerated strawberries, red cherries, mandarin zest, ginger, musk, <i>maquis</i> and granite, the palate follows with lively flavours of strawberries and cream, blood orange, rhubarb, alfalfa, tahini and fennel seed. The colour is vibrant suggesting impact and dryness, the aroma bold and enticing, the palate draws long, juicy and textural indicating a very promising long game for this style and blend in our Valley.

This wine is suitable for vegans.