

BY LEVANTINE HILL

2021 LEVANT SHIRAZ

Vintage Varietal blend 2021 Shiraz

87% PT23; 6% Kalimna; 4% 1654; and 3% E-I 470.

Harvest date(s)

Clones

20, 21 and 31 March 2021

Bottling date 20 February 2022

Oak treatment 100% aged in large-format French oak casks (25% new)

pH/TA 3.79 pH 6.0g/L TA

Preservative 220

Alcohol content

13.5%

Winemaking

Grapes sourced from across our three vineyard sites with vine age ranging from 6 to 27 years. All grapes were hand-picked and sorted then predominantly destemmed to retain intact whole berries (a portion crushed on top) and tipped to five open vats. A measured amount of stalks were added back to complement aroma, complexity and tannin. Fermentation and cuvaison lasted between 10 and 21 days with the ferment temperature reaching 32°C. Vats were hand-plunged

or turned over a maximum of once per day.

Winemaker's notes

Intense aromas of blood plum, mace, cardamom pods, galangal, Lapsang soushong with an underlying hum of black pepper, balsamic lift, and stalky complexity.

A defined acid line detailed and wide-spreading youthful tannins support flavours of red and black fruits, coffee, dark chocolate, charred meats, and black tea characters. Deep and reverberative flavourful finish that lingers long.

This wine is suitable for vegans.

