APHELION

2021 Rapture Grenache

Variety: 100% Grenache.

Summary: The Rapture is our pinnacle Grenache. Made only in years when we have the required quality of fruit, this wine is created to display the best of what Aphelion produces.

Tasting Note: A vibrant purple hue in the glass. Brooding but fleshy aromatics are laced with an herbal spice note. Tannins are prominent but don't dominate – cherry pip flavours wash over the mid palate. A savoury finish with an immense length and persistence. This wine will blossom with some bottle age.

Vineyard: Sourced from two vineyards in the Blewitt Springs sub-region of McLaren Vale. One is owned by the Brini family, the other by the Wait family. Both are old vine vineyards, with the Wait vineyard being dry grown with small berries and intensity and the Brini vineyard showing bright fruit and floral aromatics.

Winemaking: The fruit was hand-picked on the 15th and 23rd March. The Wait vineyard fruit was split in to two ferments – one being 100% whole bunch, the other being destemmed whole berries that was locked down on skins for four months. The Brini fruit was fermented with 50% whole bunches. The final 2021 Rapture blend consists of 57% Wait top bush block whole bunch, 18% Wait top bush block extended ferment, and 25% Brini vineyard fruit. All three batches were pressed to large format neutral French oak where they remained on full lees until racking for blending and bottling in January 2022. Only a single demi-muid barrel (700L) of this wine was produced.

Vegan friendly.

Production: 150 6-packs produced under cork.