



Laissez Faire

Laissez-Faire means “let it be” and this reflects our hands off approach.

Whilst we’ve learnt from organics, biodynamics and natural wine practices, we’re not dictated by one school of thought. We don’t subscribe to dogma. You could call them natural wines, but we like to think of them as “post natural wines”.

We believe in healthy and sustainable vineyard practices, and a winemaking transparency with as little as possible between the vine and finished wine.

Whereas a lot of wines presented as “natural” can be sourced from chemically cultivated vines without accountability, we grow all our own grapes. Our Grenache and Syrah vines are dry grown. And whilst copper is allowed in organic viticulture, we use minimal copper treatments.

In our Laissez-Faire winemaking, there’s no added tannin, or acid, or animal fining products. There is zero sulphur use throughout the winemaking, and only a minimal amount at bottling. We’re using alternate varieties and blends to make naturally balanced wines. From vine to bottle, the wine takes its course, hands free.

2019 Syrah

THE VINTAGE:

Low rainfall in winter and spring with some devastating frost events made the summer ripening season late. A tricky harvest to say the least but patience (and a bit of luck) paid off in the end with some exceptional wines being the ultimate result.

THE WINE MAKING:

Grapes were hand-harvested and sorted and naturally fermented. The wine spent six months in four year old French oak prior to bottling. As the name suggests, no acid, enzymes or yeast were used in the making of this wine.

THE WINE:

A bouquet of earth, black cherries and spices with a subtle mineral/slate quality, oak providing support. Red flowery fruits flavours dominate, with subtle slate like minerality. All framed by a light structure and fine tannins.

DRINK WITH:

Roasted game with lentils and a red wine jus.

Vineyard	Various	Origin	Frankland River, WA	Vegan	Yes
Year Planted	1997	Variety	Syrah	Vegetarian	Yes
Location	Frankland River, WA	Picking date	March 2019	Organic	N/A
Vines per Hectare	1600	Sugar at picking	13.9°Baume	Biodynamic	N/A
Irrigation	Yes	Alcohol	14.4%	Allergens	Low Sulphites
Clone/s	Unknown	pH	3.43		
Rootstock	Various	Total acidity	6.34 g/L		
Aspect	Northern Facing	Residual sugar	0.5 g/L		
Soils	Granite-based	Bottled	August 2020		
		Cellaring Potential	15 years		