

COUGHLAN ESTATE



Coughlan Estate

SHIRAZ 2021

Nestled amongst the glorious rolling hills of Donnybrook, is the hidden gem of Coughlan Estate - home to some of the oldest vines in the region. Coughlan Estate is a dry-grown vineyard with a very hands on approach. Focusing on traditional viticultural practices, everything is hand - picked at vintage, and the vines are carefully hand-pruned and tended throughout the year. The wines themselves are crafted by the ever-talented Bruce Dukes & Remi Guise.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Compared to previous vintages, we had a cooler lead up into the season, which meant bigger canopies and a later start for some. Vintage got underway at the end of February. Yields were a little up, but anticipated to be similar to 2020. With picking successfully undertaken at optimum ripeness, we are very pleased with the fruit this season.

WINEMAKING

Fruit was hand-picked and gently de-stemmed, with the berries left un-crushed to preserve the natural fruit perfumes and allow for slow and controlled tannin and flavour extraction. Fermentation took place in traditional open top fermenters with only 2 daily plunges in order to preserve the integrity of the skin and extract only the finest tannin and flavours. After 12 days of fermentation the wine was gently separated from the skin and transferred to French oak Puncheons, where it remained for 9 months before blending, clarification and bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Rich aromas of glazed plums, spiced meats and black pepper on the nose, gently descending into a lively pallet of red fruits, cloves and hints of cinnamon. Fine tannin serve as a foundation for sheaths of powerful black fruit and an opulent core of poached pears and eastern spices. A finishing of red apples, white pepper a subtle oak tones.

SPECIFICATIONS

Vintage: 2021
Winemaker: Remi Guise
Grape Variety: 100% Shiraz
Bottled: June 2022
Growing Area: Wilyabrup, Margaret River, WA
Alc: 13.9 %
TA: 5.9 g/l
pH: 3.61
Cellar Potential: Suitable for extended cellaring

