

Yangarra is a single-vineyard estate situated in Blewitt Springs, at the northern edge of the McLaren Vale region, South Australia. Yangarra's combination of ancient geology, high altitude and Mediterranean climate provide the ideal growing conditions for the best grape varieties of the southern Rhône.

2021 HIGH SANDS GRENACHE

High Sands Grenache is the pinnacle of our estate. Reaching deep within the sandy soil, our prized 1946 old vines produce wines that balance intense power and complexity with fragrance and beauty.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

A favourable growing season, with good winter rains, a mild flowering and fruit set period and continued spring rainfall. Vines showed good balance of shoot vigour and moderate berry size. The ripening period that began late January was very cool, with some welcome rainfall in mid-February. The cold nights and mild sunny days in March slowed sugar accumulation, resulting in excellent fruit ripeness and intensity.

WINEMAKING

Sourced exclusively from our special Block 31 (1.7 Ha). At 210m elevation, this is the highest section of the 1946 planted bush vine Grenache, which also has the deepest sandy soil. Hand-picked 24th March, selectively sorted in the winery. Destemmed and 50% whole berries retained. Wild yeast. Open fermenters with a long gentle maceration for a minimum of 21 days with a portion of extended maceration. No pressings are used in this wine. Matured on lees in a combination of old Austrian and French oak foudre, puncheon and ceramic eggs for 11 months. Bottled June 2022.

ACCLAIM

- 99 POINTS — Ray Jordan, *Winepilot*, May 2024
- 98 POINTS — Marcus Ellis, *Halliday Wine Companion*, May 2024
- 98 POINTS — Huon Hooke, *The Real Review*, August 2024
- 98 POINTS — Stuart Knox, *The Real Review*, January 2024
- 98 POINTS — Erin Larkin, *Robert Parker Wine Advocate*, August 2024
- 97 POINTS — Matt Walls, *Decanter*, August 2024
- 96 POINTS — Jamie Goode, *Wine Anorak*, September 2024
- 95 POINTS — Mike Bennie, *WBM*, June 2024



High Sands Grenache

VARIETY

100% Grenache Noir

YEAR PLANTED

1946

VINES

Vase shaped bush vine, unirrigated

REGION

Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale

SOIL

1m deep White Sands (silica - not marine) overlying red/orange clay

GEOLOGY

North Maslin Sands (54 million years old)

ELEVATION

210m above sea level

BLOCK

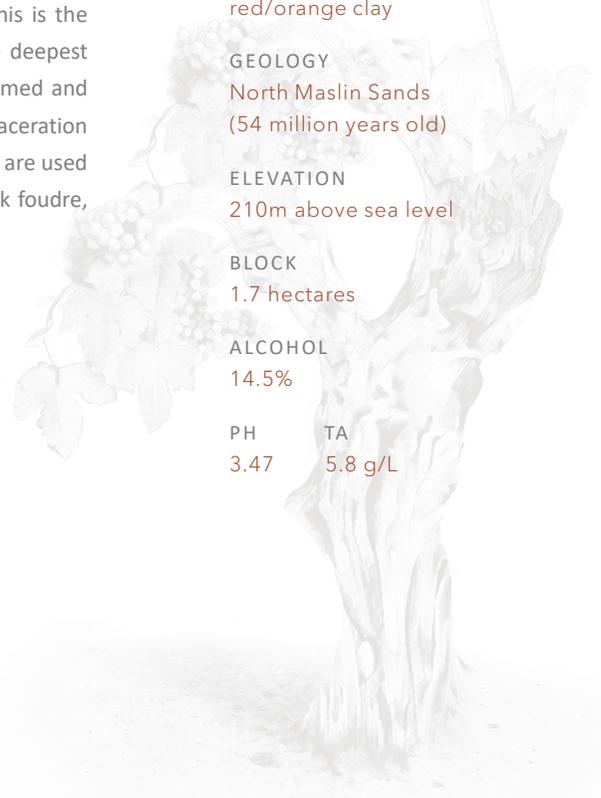
1.7 hectares

ALCOHOL

14.5%

PH TA

3.47 5.8 g/L



WINEMAKER: Peter Fraser

VITICULTURALIST: Michael Lane