



PEPPER TREE

LIMITED RELEASE

'BRECCIA' 2021 Orange Shiraz Cabernet

This handcrafted wine is a blend of Shiraz and Cabernet off our cool climate vineyard in Orange which is located on the mid slopes of the extinct volcano, Mt Canobolas. The Cabernet imparts intense flavours of cassis and blackberry with fine tannins providing structure and balance. The Shiraz fills the mid palate with rich ripe red fruits whilst exotic spice and pepper enhance the aroma. The resultant blend is supple yet structured with wonderful perfume and intensity.

VINTAGE

Orange experienced damp cool conditions in Spring and early Summer leading to favourable slow ripening conditions. Pinot Noir ripened slowly and produced some very good parcels. Shiraz and Cabernet were picked late in the season with good colour and acid balance and look to have a promising future.

Overall assessment of the Orange 2021 vintage was that it was a cool late ripening vintage which gave wines of great balance and flavour with good ageing potential.

VINEYARD

The Orange region of New South Wales is one of Australia's premium regions being favoured for its high altitude cool climate. Situated approximately 270 km west of Sydney the topography and soils of the Orange region are dominated by the extinct volcano Mt Canobolas. The present day peak of the mountain is at 1400m and vineyards in the region are planted at elevations as high as 1100m with the lowest elevations in the region being 600m.

Soils in the central part of the region are derived from the basaltic lavas of the old volcano, and primarily consist of deep red to brown free draining clay loams.

APPELLATION / GI

Orange (New South Wales) - 100%

WINEMAKING

Grown with the objective of creating a unique red blend to represent our Orange estate vineyard, Shiraz and Cabernet parcels were harvested separately at optimal ripeness and fermented individually. Gentle twice-daily pumpovers allowed for gradual extraction of colour and tannin. Once dry, the must was pressed off and transferred to French oak for maturation before being tasted, blended and prepared for bottling.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Shiraz 50%, Cabernet Sauvignon 50%
BOTTLING DATE:	05/2023
PH:	3.79
TA:	6.0 g/l
ALC/VOL:	14.2%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.4



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