



PEPPER TREE

'STRANDLINES'

SINGLE VINEYARD

2021 Wrattobully Cabernet Shiraz

The name Strandlines comes from the ancient shorelines or dunes that mark the retreating ocean from what is now the Naracoorte Range in Wrattobully. These ancient dunes harbour the famed red 'Terra Rossa' topsoil over Gambier limestone. The secret of these soils lies in the near perfect drainage they provide, leading to small crops of wonderfully concentrated fruit.

An intensely concentrated nose of dark berry fruits, chocolate and spicy oak complexity. A serious full bodied blend of Cabernet and Shiraz, displaying ripe Cabernet flavours of cassis and blackberry integrated well with exotic spice and sweet mid palate fruit of Shiraz. A wine of great depth, intensity and structure.

VINTAGE

Wrattobully experienced the coolest vintage for many years which led to slow balanced ripening. The quality of the resulting wines is considered by many locals to be the best for 40 years. The cool weather allowed for complete flavour ripening by time sugar ripeness was achieved. This produced great balance across all varieties and exceptional colour and flavour depth in all red varieties. Cabernet Sauvignon was outstanding and our best Merlot parcels have the best colour and flavour we have ever seen from our vineyard. Our small parcels of alternate varieties like Malbec, Petite Verdot, and Barbera are all showing great varietal definition.

The most outstanding vintage for many years.

VINEYARD

Wrattobully is located in the Limestone Coast wine zone. The prominent viticultural feature of the area is the series of ancient beach ridges and dunes which run roughly north-south through the area. These ridges are made up of soft crumbly limestone which weathers to produce the red and brown Terra Rossa clay loam soils so highly prized for grape growing. The ridges and dunes have elevations of up to 30m compared with the neighbouring regions to the south with a Terra Rossa 'high' of less than 5m. The extra elevation on the Wrattobully dunes produce the advantage of cold air drainage which reduces the risk of frost during the growing season.

APPELLATION/ GI

Wrattobully (South Australia) 100%

WINEMAKING

Individual Shiraz and Cabernet parcels were harvested at optimal ripeness and fermented separately. Once dry the wines were pressed off skins, they were then transferred to oak for 15 months maturation before being tasted, blended and prepared for bottling.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Cabernet Sauvignon (70%) Shiraz (30%)
BOTTLING DATE:	02/2023
BOTTLE NUMBER RANGE:	1 - 2850
PH:	3.47
TA:	6.6 g/l
ALC/VOL:	14.2%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.4



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Black cherry, rosella and ripe figs. Crushed rosemary stem, oregano and wild thyme. Cumin, cocoa nibs and red clay. A seamless palate of red and black fruits with a plethora of savoury spices and herbs. Paprika, ras el hanout and mustard seeds. Tannins are lacy and thread from the front of the palate to the back with long flavour length. A very well-rounded wine.

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