

# SOUMAH

of YARRA VALLEY

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## 2023 SINGLE VINEYARD MARZEMINO



### 2023 VINTAGE

A very wet winter and spring created increased work in the vineyard to ensure vines were clean and healthy and the incredibly wet October affected the fruit set reducing crop load. This increased rainfall also made nights warmer and days relatively cooler extending the ripening period. Summer dried out like usual with little rain in January and February allowing the fruit to ripen leading to a harvest that was 2-weeks later than recent experiences. Fruit retained natural acidity well, while flavours were developed at less ripeness. Wines are intense but with a lighter weight than normal.

### VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

Marzemino is a red Italian wine grape variety that is primarily grown in north-eastern Italy. The wine has a long history and is noted for it's mention in the opera Don Giovanni of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ("Versa il vino! Eccellente Marzimino!").

This late ripening variety was hand picked towards the end of the season and fermented in stainless steel tanks. The excellent natural acidity in the fruit created a foundation for a smooth fermentation with minimal intervention. Once pressed off skins, we transferred the wine to barrel for maturation for one year with 10% new oak to create structure and definition.

### TASTING

The wine has characteristically a very dark tint and flavours of bright cherries and dark plums.

### PAIRING

Share with friends on a summer's afternoon with antipasti and lighter meals.

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