

# SOUMAH

of YARRA VALLEY

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## 2022 SINGLE VINEYARD SYRAH



### 2022 VINTAGE

Winter was half a degree warmer than the 25-year average, so although vines were still dormant, bud burst was a few days earlier than average. Spring saw 100mm more rain than normal, and unsettled weather around Melbourne Cup saw a poor flowering and fruit set. This significantly lowered the crop by reducing bunches and making the remaining much smaller. Summer was significantly hotter, one degree more than the 25-year average, although high rainfall in January meant no excessive heat spikes. Overall, a wetter and hotter year with low yield resulted in a small but high-quality crop.

### VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

Cooler climate growing regions like the Yarra Valley are heralding an elegant style of Syrah (Shiraz) and our elevated, well-drained site, coupled with two Victorian heritage clones (Tabilk R6WV28, Bests Old Clone) create a graceful yet powerful wine.

Our fruit was gently picked mid-March before being separated into whole berry or whole bunch ferments. It was then racked to puncheons (25% new) for maturation.

### TASTING

Lifted aromatics of spice with red and black fruit leads to a savoury palate highlighting intense cherry, blackberry and plums. Some hints of leather and tobacco coming from the new oak while finishing with fine grained tannins and good length.

### PAIRING

Fettuccine with truffle and porcini, or a slow-roasted barbecued pork shoulder, spiced with pepper and cumin.

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