



## LIME KILN RED 2019

November 2020



### MOUNT MAJURA VINEYARD

Mount Majura Vineyard's hand-crafted wines benefit from the unique combination of red volcanic limestone-containing soils, an easterly aspect and a cool climate. These features are consistently expressed in intense, elegant and complex wines. Grapes are sourced only from the Mount Majura Vineyard, in the Canberra District.

### LIME KILN RED

Lime Kiln Red is a new medium-bodied blend that's all about deliciousness and drinkability. With such a collection of interesting varieties in the vineyard and winery, new blending trials are irresistible fun. The 2019 Lime Kiln Red is 52% shiraz and 48% touriga. And the name? A 1912 map of the district showed a 'Lime Kiln Block' near the current vineyard site, presumably burning limestone similar to that in the vineyard to make builder's lime.

### 2019 VINTAGE

This year we celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> vintage. Just like last year, the 2018-2019 was the second-warmest season on record behind 2016, this time with some very hot summer weather. A very dry winter saw us applying irrigation prior to budburst for the first time. January was particularly hot, and irrigation was used to prevent heat damage. Subsequent weather during ripening and vintage was good. Yields were down in most varieties, but quality was good, and once again, the later ripening varieties benefitted from the milder conditions, showing great colour and flavour definition.

### WINEMAKER

Frank van de Loo came to winemaking with a background in the plant sciences and has completed twenty-five vintages including twenty-one for Mount Majura Vineyard and two in France. For Frank the winemaking process starts with the planting of the vines and he works closely with a dedicated vineyard team, led by Leo Quirk, to craft wines that best express the character of the site.

### WINEMAKING

Hand picked between 2 and 24 April 2019, and wild-fermented separately in open vats with hand plunging. Matured in older French oak, blended, lightly filtered, and bottled under screwcap November 2019; 306 dozen made. Alcohol 13.5% by volume. Vegan friendly?: Yes.

### TASTING NOTES

This introduction to our red range is a soft and appealing blend, with spice, red fruits and blueberry from shiraz layered over the darker fruit and floral freshness of touriga.

### CELLARING GUIDE

Drink now or cellar in the medium term.

### ORDERING & AVAILABILITY

Released November 2020, available well into 2021.

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