



TSG 2018

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Gold Medal, Canberra & Region Wine Show 2019

Very deep purple/red colour, with a bright youthful colour and aroma. Very attractive bouquet, ripe but elegant, with some toasty barrel notes augmenting ginger and anise aromas. An elegant, stylish, medium-bodied wine with very good flavour, weight and balance. A keeper. 94 points (Huon Hooke)

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.

TSG

Our goal is to find the varieties that best suit our site, because we believe that when the right combinations are found, the wines gain an extra level of quality and character. Tempranillo and Shiraz are clearly the leading red varieties for our vineyard and climate, based on our experience so far. After a difficult start, Graciano has become a very rewarding variety, and is very distinctive as a varietal wine. First made from the 2008 vintage, the Tempranillo Shiraz Graciano blend is an example of good components coming together to make an even better whole. The 2018 TSG is 53% Tempranillo, 32% Shiraz and 15% Graciano. By blending, we take the spotlight off the variety, and put it back on the vineyard where it belongs.

2018 VINTAGE

The 2017-2018 was the second-warmest season on record behind 2016, but due to consistently warm and dry conditions rather than any extreme heat. Timing of budburst and harvest were fairly normal. Conditions for vine growth and development were good and disease pressure was low. Weather during vintage was exceptional, consistently warm and dry apart from one downpour in late February which caused little trouble. Warm sunny days were balanced by cool nights giving a high diurnal temperature range. Quality is exciting across the board, with the later ripening varieties perhaps benefitting the most.

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 22 March and 24 April 2018, and fermented separately in open vats with hand plunging. Matured in French oak (approx 10% new), blended, lightly fined and filtered, and bottled under screwcap January 2019; 585 dozen made. Alcohol 14.0% by volume. Vegan friendly?: No (fined with gelatin).

TASTING NOTES

Our three best red varieties are seamlessly melded to show the clarity and character typical of the vineyard: fresh spicy aromatics with vibrant dark fruits, deep flavour intensity and fine persistent tannins.

CELLARING GUIDE

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ORDERING & AVAILABILITY

Due for release April 2021.

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