



PYREN VINEYARD

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Pyren Vineyard Earthscape Sparkling Shiraz 2018

Winemaker: Leighton Joy / Brock Alford

Grape: Shiraz

GI: Pyrenees

Site: Estate vineyard

Vintage notes: Considered one of the great modern vintages of the Pyrenees, a warm and dry year that offered great yield and quality to those who managed water effectively.

Vineyard notes: Pyren's estate vineyard is farmed organically (uncertified). Red/brown clay loam feature across the property, with the most elevated vines growing in shallow soils over sandstone and schist formations. Alluvial clay silt is evident at lower elevation, albeit with consistent quartz stone laced throughout. Pyren is planted exclusively in an E/W orientation, providing invaluable shade to both fruit and earth in the warmest part of the day. This wine is harvested from the most elevated site in the vineyard (350m).

Winemaking: Hand-picked and fermented with native yeast and aged in Hungarian oak. Made with traditional method sparkling production, whereby secondary fermentation occurs in bottle. The wine was disgorged in November 2019 with an integral dosage (of 21.5 grams) to bring balance and depth.

Closure: Crown Cap

ABV: 14.5%

LEGEND tasting notes: A fresh take on a classic Aussie style – the sparkling shiraz. Rich ruby purple in color. Aromas of orange oil, fruit cake, lilacs, black pepper, and anise myrtle. The palate balances freshness with richness in its fruit profile, with intricacies of blackberry jam and tart plum. Complex, intoxicating, and impossible to put down!

Label Design: The Earthscape label is named according to the lie of the land on which Pyren is planted, from the soil structure in its quartz laden mass, to the rolling valleys, and skyward facing peaks.

Production size: 126 dozen