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PYREN VINEYARD

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Pyren Vineyard 2020 Little Ra Ra Roopa

Winemaker: Leighton Joy

Grape: Sauvignon Blanc

GI: Pyrenees

Site: Estate vineyard

Vintage notes: Nightmarish conditions in-line with much of SE Australia with hot blustery winds at the time of flowering. Bush fire smoke had an overbearing impact across many regions however the Pyrenees GI was extremely fortunate to see only very limited exposure.

Vineyard notes: Pyren's estate vineyard is farmed organically (uncertified); its sedimentary soils rich with quartz formations. 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.

Winemaking: Hand-picked and fermented with native yeast. Composed of individual whole bunch ferments of 13 and 18 days duration. Settled in tank before resting in 400L French oak for a total of 7 months. Bottled without fining or filtration on December 17th, 2020.

Closure: Stelvin

ABV: 11.8%

LEGEND tasting notes: An skin-contact white wine with clarity, precision at total drinkability. Aromatics of white grapefruit, tarragon, and nectarine. The palate is textural and bright, with native citrus fruits of pithy desert lime and spongy lemon aspen.

Label design: Designed by Tomoro Takizawa, a close friend of Pyren Vineyard from the time Leighton lived in Tokyo in the early 2000s. "Roopa" is another good friend of Pyren, who lends his name to their skinsy sauvignon blanc. Most of the Little Ra Ra wines take a color as their namesake, however this is one exception due to a labeling ban on the word 'Orange', stemming from a conflict between the color orange and Regional GI of Orange.

Production size: 388 dozen