

RASA

little liar 2021



LEGEND
AUSTRALIAN WINE IMPORTS

Winemaker: Andy Cummins

Grapes: 83% Grenache, 17% Cinsault

GI: Barossa

Sites: The grenache comes from a vineyard in Krondorf; the cinsault from a vineyard in Vine Vale.

Vintage notes: While the season started with spring rains, very dry subsoils have resulted in yields that are still slightly down on average. But quality is exceptional, with high acidities and peak flavor development.

Vineyard notes: The grenache comes from Krondorf's hard red- brown texture contrast soils with alkaline subsoil. The cinsault comes from a Vine Vale vineyard with deep sandy soils over orange clay. All Rasa source vineyards are mature vines farmed with organic principles.

Winemaking: The grenache was picked on February 23 and the cinsault was picked on April 3. Both parcels were fermented separately in a semi-carbonic style for 9-10 days, before being foot stomped for a further 10 days on skins. Pressed to seasoned 225 liter and 300 liter French barrels for completion of fermentation and ageing. Aged for 16 months before blending. All native yeast, no adds, fining or filtration.

Closure: Natural cork **ABV:** 12.5%

Tasting notes: Aromatics of satsuma plum, muntries (a native red berry), cracked black pepper, garrigue, and exuberant, fresh red cherry. The palate is balanced with tannins that run parallel with red fruit acidity and grippy structure gifted by the grenache.

Label design: All label art is done by Andy's younger sister, Lily Cummins, who holds a Masters from the National Art School in Sydney. She visits the vineyards, tastes the wines, and then does a rendering based on her impressions. Little Liar (Swainsona formosa) is a translation from 'ngarapanha,' the Adnyamathanha people's word for the Sturt Desert Pea. The Adnyamathanha are from the Greater Flinders Ranges area of SA.

Production size: 83 dozen