

# VINO VOLTA

methode ancestrale grenache 2023



## LEGEND

AUSTRALIAN WINE IMPORTS

**Winemaker:** Garth Cliff and Kristen McGann

**Grape(s):** Grenache

**GI:** Swan Valley, Western Australia

**Site(s):** Scampoli Vineyard

**Vintage notes:** Late winter rains and a warm start to spring - as is becoming the norm - led to good early season growth. Mild conditions prevailed for the remainder of spring, setting the vines up for a memorable year. Summer was warm with only a couple of days reaching 40C and the heat spikes were not prolonged. Disease was non-existent, with slower than usual ripening. A peak vintage for Swan Valley grenache.

**Vineyard notes:** From a 35 year-old vineyard in Swan Valley, of gravel and sand over coffee rock - what VINO VOLTA considers the most suited soil type for grenache in Swan Valley. The rows are east-west in orientation with a lazy vertical training method, suiting the climate and providing for optimum dappled light. This vineyard is managed organically (not certified) without herbicide or fertilizer. It is cover cropped with a mixed sward including legumes, which add organic matter and nitrogen.

**Winemaking:** Hand-picked, whole-bunch pressed and then fermented as turbid juice with wild yeast. Ferment finishes in bottle, using up the last of the grape-derived sugars and naturally gains some bubbles. This "methode ancestrale" traps in all the fresh fruit and ferment character and also means these wines have absolute minimum sulfur, with only yeast-derived sulfites being present.

**Closure:** Crown seal **ABV:** 13%

**LEGEND tasting notes:** This lightly bubbly rosé has an aromatic nose of exuberant fruit: grapefruit, fermenting muntries (a native pink orchard fruit), mulberry, and raspberry. On the palate, the fresh fruit meets a light oiliness for a complex and textural mouthfeel. Bright fruit continues on the palate, with added notes of apple cider, rose petal, and saltbush.

**Label:** Designed and created by Anitra Stene and Garth Cliff. The creatures dancing are a continuous ink brush drawing inspired by Qin Feng.

**Production size:** 400 dozen