

RASA

little liar 2022



Winemaker: Andy Cummins

Grapes: 75% Grenache, 25% Cinsault

GI: Barossa

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

Vintage notes: A wet winter led to a surprisingly dry summer, relieved by a large rain event at the end of February. Grapes went into harvest with adequate moisture and lower than average temperature: a perfect combination for a fresh, vibrant style.

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: Grenache and cinsault, vinified together. Whole cluster cinsault surrounded by whole-bunch pressed grenache juice. The cinsault has a somewhat semi-carbonic ferment this way, within the juice. No real plunging except to push the whole clusters below the surface. Pressed after 10 days. Racked to old 300 liter French oak two days after pressing. Aged for 16 months before blending.

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 soft tannins that run parallel to red fruit acidity and create a vibrant textural lift.

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: 100 dozen

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