



2023 Special Release Sangiovese

Region

Hilltops

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The Special Release label gives the winemaking team the opportunity to create unique, personalised wines. These are one-off, handcrafted wines predominantly available only from the winery.

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The Story

Winemaker Mike connects with his roots through Sangiovese, one of Italy's most prized arapes. Planted in Australia since the 1970s, Sangiovese offers a unique bridge between Mike's heritage and his Australian winemaking experience. Like the Italians love to do, this foodfriendly wine is perfect for sharing and savouring with loved ones.

The Wine

This wine explodes on the palate with vibrant red cherry and juicy strawberry characters. Earthy notes and a fine-grained tannin structure lend complexity, while a bright vein of acidity keeps everything fresh and balanced. The finish is smooth and delectable. making it a fantastic food companion.

The Vintage

A cooler ripening period yielded elegant red wines with intricate fruit profiles. Breakthrough rainfall after a drought paved the way for an outstanding growing season.

A cool summer and timely heat spikes fostered stress-free ripening, ensuring optimal flavor development and high natural acidity.

The Potential

This wine is already drinking beautifully, offering a delightful experience from the first sip. However, for those seeking a truly captivating journey, its potential truly blossoms over the next 5 to 10 years. Cellaring this wine will unlock a fascinating evolution.

The Match

This beauty begs for food! Think bold yet balanced flavours. Seared lamb cutlets with a rosemary crust are a classic choice. For something lighter, try pizza with spicy sausage and roasted peppers. Hearty vegetarian pasta with sun-dried tomatoes and olives will sing alongside this wine's acidity and fruit profile. Buon appetito!