HUGH Hamilton

THE MONGREL

2022

HUGH HAMILTON IS THE 5TH GENERATION OF A LARGE WINE DYNASTY AND IS REGARDED AS THE BLACK SHEEP OF THE FAMILY.

HIS DAUGHTER AND 6TH GENERATION OF THE FAMILY, MARY, CONTINUES THE LEGACY, MAKING US AUSTRALIA'S OLDEST WINE FAMILY.

THE BLACK SHEEP EXPERIENCE IS EXTRAORDINARY. HUGH IS THE MASTER OF A MOST REPROBATE RANGE OF VARIETIES FROM THE CLASSICS TO THE MORE ECLECTIC. WHEN IT COMES TO TASTING OUR WINES, YOU CAN EXPECT TO ENJOY THE DIFFERENCE.

STORY

It all seems so simple, after all it used to sit on red chequered table cloths, a bottle in a basket, right next to the powdered parmesan in a shaker. Somewhere along the way though Sangio didn't so much reinvent as rediscover itself – immensely pleasurable, light on its feet but also assertive in its own particular way. Uniquely challenging to make well, this is a complex simple pleasure.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Sangiovese is enigmatic to the point of being problematic. It will not be pushed in a direction that it doesn't want to go. I got a whole lot better at working with it when I realised that what I want matters very little to this grape. Sangiovese is unlike any other wine we make and while it has taken time to find a way to make it really express itself I think this years' Sangio is living its best life.

BOUQUET AND PALATE

A whole basket of ripe raspberries, strawberries, and red cherries. Crushed fennel fronds. Fresh, light spiced, and bright. A succulent palate with an emery bite. High vibrance slush of lush harvest ready berries; red, black, and blue. Lingering.

VARIETAL

Sangiovese

COLOUR Purple shot cherry red

DRINK Now through 2 years

FOOD MATCH

A fresh fiasco of Sangiovese almost demands Italian – perhaps garlic butter pasta with a rose sauce?

HARVEST DATE

8th March 2022

BOTTLING DATE 23rd November 2022





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MCLAREN VALE

ANALYSIS: TA: 6.4 | PH: 3.41 | RS: <2.0G/L | ALC: 14.3% | VEGAN FRIENDLY