

PIKES

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

2022 'GILL'S FARM' VIOGNIER

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Good winter rain allowed soil profiles to be full, giving the vines a great start to the growing season. Remarkably cool summer followed, providing perfect conditions for healthy vines to produce fruit with high natural acidity and concentrated flavours. One of the better vintages of the last decade. Pressed into old French barriques using native yeast for fermentation.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Fruit Source: Estate Grown, Single Vineyard

Variety: Viognier

Vintage: 2022

Region: Clare Valley

Fermentation: Spontaneous fermentation in old French oak

Maturation: Half of the parcel in oak for 9 months, the other half in tank on fermentation lees until bottling

Alc/Vol 12.5%

pH 3.53

TA 6.26 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Medium to pale green.

Aroma: Restrained white and yellow peach, melon, and ripe lemon. Subtle oak influence evident from the barrel fermentation.

Palate: Medium bodied. Peaches, nectarine, and lemon curd on display. It has a balanced textural mouthfeel. Flashes of slate and talc mingle with mouth-watering acidity in the long and dry finish.

Summary: Viognier is a variety misunderstood by many in Australia. We strive for balance and freshness and our cooler site in Polish Hill helps us achieve that. Ready to enjoy upon release, but a couple of years in the cellar won't hurt it. Try this with a spicy Moroccan Chicken tagine with prunes and almonds. Don't serve this too cold!

ABOUT PIKES

Pikes Wines is grounded by family. From brothers to sons, since 1984 when the Pike family first stepped foot on Polish Hill River soil and decided to make wine together.

Our site is unique, with tough acidic soils overlaying ancient dark grey siltstone of the Kadlunga Slate formation, which has lay beneath Polish Hill River for 650 million years.

Our wine style is elegant and refined, yet approachable. A style that has been forged over many years by geology and geography, viticultural learnings, and a hands-off winemaking approach. A style that celebrates this special place we call home

Pikes Tasting Room

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Slate Restaurant: 12pm - 3pm, Thur-Sun

