

# PIKES

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

## 2023 'THE PLANTATION' GRENACHE

### WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Good winter rain allowed soil profiles to be full, giving the vines a great start to the growing season. A remarkably cool summer followed, providing perfect conditions for healthy balanced vines. The long ripening period produced fruit with a perfect balance of good colour, high natural acidity, and concentrated flavours.

Our style of Grenache is light, bright and juicy; perfect for early drinking.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

**Fruit Source:** Estate and Growers

**Variety:** Grenache

**Vintage:** 2023

**Region:** Clare Valley

**Fermentation:** Spontaneous fermentation in small open vats

**Maturation:** 6 months in seasoned French Barrique

**Alc/Vol** 14%

**pH** 3.47

**TA** 5.56 g/L

### TASTING NOTES

**Appearance:** Medium cherry red.

**Aroma:** Bursting with bright red fruits of cherry and strawberry. Crème de cassis in the mix as well. Whispers of spice and char provide hints to the use of seasoned French oak. Pretty, complex and light.

**Palate:** Medium in palate weight. Concentrated red fruits carry through with cherry cola and liquorice. Fine grained slippery tannin profile is hallmark grenache and exactly what we are aiming for. Perfectly balanced finish leaves you wanting another glass.

**Summary:** The Plantation Grenache is a staff favourite, accurately referred to as the 'Pinot of Clare' by some, and really adds to the depth and breadth of our range. Enjoy it upon release with Char Siu Roast Pork. Consume within 5 years.

### 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.

### Pikes Tasting Room

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Tasting Room: open daily, from 10am - 4pm

Slate Restaurant: open for lunch: 12pm - 3pm, Thursday - Sunday

