

2021 THE CLARE RED WINE

Bordeaux varieties made in a Loire style - vibrant, bright fruits & soft tannins

Varieties: 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Cabernet Franc, 13% Grenache, 6% Malbec, 6% Carignan & 2% Sciaccarello

Vineyard: Vivian, Parish & Gullyview Vineyards

Planted: 1998 & 1930

Soil type: Red clay on limestone, 'Terra Rossa'

Picking method: Hand harvested and sorted in vineyard

Processing: Destemmed retaining ~ 50% whole berries, no whole bunch

Fermentation: Natural ferment in open top steel fermenters, hand plunged twice daily

Time on skins: 2 weeks

Pressing: Free run and pressings combined

Settling: Settled off gross lees for 7 days

Aging vessel: Slavonian foudre for 9 months, then racked to steel for 3 months

Filtration: No

Fining: No

Alc: 13.1% **pH:** 3.59

TA: 5.7 **SO₂:** 17F, 30T

Production: 890 dozen

