

# *The Alternates*

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## 2019 COONAWARRA LESS IS MORE SHIRAZ

*To explore what impact modern wine making equipment and techniques have on the true fruit essence of a vineyard, we set the target of utilising zero electrical equipment for this small parcel, whilst promoting individual vineyard expression.*

### **Harvest Date**

Handpicked 2 April 2019

### **Source**

Riddoch Run, Block 8 Shiraz, Row 8

### **Tonnage**

576kg

### **Quantity**

42 dozen

### **Baume**

13.8be

### **Alcohol**

13.8 per cent

### **Method**

Fruit handpicked to small fermenter, left in vineyard row from which it was picked.

Left as whole-bunch for 24 hours, then manually crushed by foot over five consecutive days.

Natural vineyard yeast was allowed to establish dominance and continued through to dry with no further yeast addition. Other additions were eliminated to ensure we portray a true vineyard perspective.

Basket pressed after 15 days on skins, pressed to take overnight, then racked to two barriques for malo, then matured in a two-year-old punchen for six months.

Minimal sulphur and filtration before bottling.

### **Release**

14 August 2020

### **Winemakers**

Shannon Sutherland  
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