



FERN GROVE

FRANKLAND RIVER

WINE NAME	Dragon Syrah
RANGE	Orchid
VINTAGE	2021
WINE STYLE	Full-bodied red wine.
GRAPE VARIETY	Shiraz
GROWING REGION	Frankland River, Western Australia.
TECHNICAL DETAILS	Alc 14% pH 3.69 TA 6.2g/L
APPEARANCE	Vibrant ruby with purple rim.
NOSE	Classic cool-climate spiciness, violets and hints of leather.
PALATE	Fine tannins with juicy, dark fruit core of plums and hints of rhubarb.
VINIFICATION	Harvested from Block 11 on the Ferngrove vineyard, this vineyard surrounds the Vineyard Manager's house, so it gets all of the attention it deserves. The Dragon Syrah contains a portion of hand-picked fruit left as whole bunches during ferment that contributes structure and complexity. The other portion of fruit is gently destemmed into our small open fermenters, followed by a period of cold soaking. The must is gently pumped-over to maximise the colour and tannin extraction. Fermentation was carried out on skins for 3 weeks, pressed and completed malolactic fermentation before being transferred into a mix of new and old French oak barrels for sixteen months in our climate-controlled barrel hall. Careful blending by our winemaking team produce varietal wines of intensity with great potential for aging. Bottling was on-site at our vineyard.
CELLARING	Will benefit from careful cellaring for up to 10 years.
WINEMAKERS COMMENTS	The style of the Dragon Syrah is one of elegance with bright fruit characteristics, destined to blossom further with careful cellaring.
SERVE	At room temperature 18C.
FOOD	Enjoy with spring lamb roasted and infused with garlic and rosemary.

