

# TRENTHAM ESTATE

## ESTATE GROWN MERLOT 2023

INSPIRED BY OUR SURROUNDINGS WE REFLECT ON THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF THE MURRAY DARLING TO CREATE WINES OF DISTINCTION AND SUSTAINABILITY.



### THE GRAPES

Merlot is most famous in its homeland of Bordeaux in France. It is an early ripening variety with tannins that are invariably soft, making the wine a good early drinking style.

### THE VINTAGE

The 2023 vintage was another great season following the ideal 2021 & 2022. The season featured warm, mild weather which was ideal for the vineyards, but the harvest was delayed by two weeks due to cool weather.

The vintage has produced beautiful wines with lifted aromatic whites and deep coloured, full flavoured reds.

### THE WINEMAKING

Once harvested, the grapes were de-stemmed, crushed and fermented on skins for 7 days before pressing. Following this, a portion of the wine was matured in a combination of new and aged French oak barrels. The wine was then blended and bottled.

### THE WINE

Deep red in colour with lifted aromas of cherry and mulberry with a hint of mocha; flavours of sweet plum and spice with subtle savoury French oak. A medium to full bodied wine with velvety tannins. Long and soft with a silky, smooth finish.

### THE FOOD

Well matched with tomato-based Italian dishes and grilled meats such as veal, pork or lamb.

### ANALYSIS

Varietal:	Merlot	Fining agent used:	none
Region:	Murray Darling	Total sulphur dioxide at bottling:	95 mg/l
Alcohol:	13.5%	Free sulphur dioxide at bottling:	35 mg/l
Acid:	6.3 g/l	Type of closure:	BVS
pH:	3.50	Contains Sulphites.	
Sweetness:	Dry		