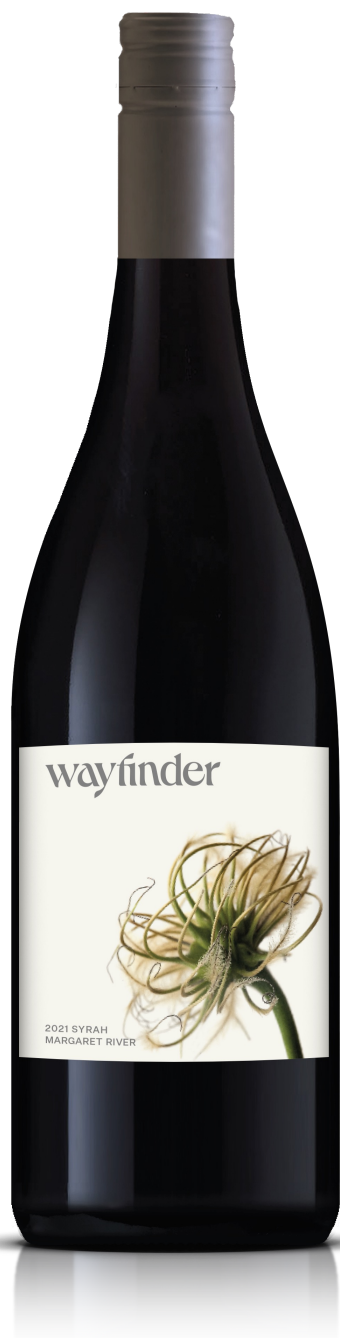


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Margaret River, Western Australia



2021 Syrah Whole Bunch

Clone: Unknown

Alcohol: 13.0%

TA: 5.98g/L

pH: 3.56

Harvest Date: 26 March 2021

WINEMAKING NOTES:

Wayfinder Syrah is produced from a single, exceptional block which had been part of the original plantings in 1998. The grapes were harvested by hand and sorted into a stainless-steel tank for fermentation. A quarter of the stems were included in the ferment to provide textural depth and aromatic lift. The must was kept cold for 3 days and then gently warmed prior to inoculation with ICV D80, a high-quality strain isolated in the Rhône Valley. The must was pumped over up to 2 times/day during peak fermentation, with occasional punch-downs to break up the cap.

After 11 days on skins, the free-run was gravity-drained to tank and barrelled down to 40% new French oak puncheons, and 3- and 4-year-old barriques. The barrels were inoculated for malolactic fermentation and kept warm until dry. After 10 months' maturation in oak, the wine was racked from barrel and polish-filtered prior to bottling.