

## ALTERNATO



## Italian; Alternato; {translation: Alternate}

An alternate blend of Alternative wine varieties, crafted with integrity by the Calabria Family.



**Vineyard & Region:** Fruit has been sourced from the Calabria Family William Vineyard located in the Nurioopta sub region of the iconic Barossa Valley.

Variety: Malbec

**Bouquet:** Lifted aromas of blackcurrant blossom, elderflower and sweet licorice, with hints of fresh tea leaf.

**Palate:** Big and juicy characters of black fruit, with lovely supple density and inkiness of fruit tannin.

**Suggested Cuisine:** Enjoy with a gourmet beef burger or try with a grazing platter and blue cheese.

**Winemaking:** The parcels are crushed, destemmed and fermented on skins for up to 10 days. They are then pressed to 100% used French oak barrels to complete primary and malolactic fermentation. Once complete, the barrels were racked and returned to remove the lees, then matured in barrel for 6 months.

**Vintage Season:** Rainfall throughout the start of the 2021 season resulted in very good subsoil moisture setting up healthy vines for the growing season ahead. The Barossa then experienced temperatures perfect for ripening balanced fruit. Overall, the key drivers for the high quality in 2021 was the lack of heat and the regular rainfall which allowed for ample colour build up, varietal definition and ripe tannin and healthy yields.

Wine Analysis: Alc/Vol: 13% | TA 5.72 g/L | RS 1.4 g/L | pH: 3.51

Cellaring: A wine to enjoy now or cellar for up to 4 years.

