

# TRENTHAM

## ESTATE



### ESTATE GROWN MERLOT 2018

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

Warm, dry weather during the 2018 harvest restricted crop levels and helped to produce exceptional fruit quality with plenty of aromatics and flavour. Lower rain levels during the growing season translated into smaller berries packing their punch, making our winemakers very happy!

#### 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

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| Varietal:  | Merlot  |
| Alcohol:   | 14.0%   |
| Acid:      | 6.4 g/l |
| pH:        | 3.43    |
| Sweetness: | Dry     |