



FRANKLAND  
ESTATE

## 2017 OLMO'S REWARD



### VINEYARD

All four varieties used in the blend were dry-grown on mature vines in the Isolation Ridge Vineyard at Frankland Estate. The vineyard sits on an undulating northern and eastern facing slope on ancient duplex soils of gravel and loam over a clay sub-soil. It is farmed using organic viticultural practices (certified organic in 2010) and this is reflected in the depth and concentration of fruit flavours. The vines are trained on a combination of different vertical shoot trellising methods, attention to detail during the growing season encourages flavour development and promotes balance in the wine.

### ASSESSMENT

A complex and distinguished wine of its own kind. Lifted floral aromas with a touch of ironstone flint with fresh plum on the nose. The palate is full bodied yet tightly woven with mouth coating aligned fine silky tannins build volume and texture in the mouth, a very refined, beautifully balanced and effortlessly elegant wine with the structure and intensity to reward further cellaring. A wine that makes Cabernet Franc the true champion of this blend.

### 2017 VINTAGE

A wet spring provided good early vine growth followed by a dry and warmer than average January and February. The summer cooled considerably in early March slowing ripening. This provided balance, elegance and complexity to the wine which will benefit ageing.

### VINIFICATION

Each variety was fermented separately as slowly as possible at temperatures not exceeding 27°C. Open fermentation tanks facilitated working the cap with gentle plunging taking care to minimise tannin extraction. After fermentation, an extended maceration period allowed desired flavour and tannin resolution. The component wines were blended on completion of the malolactic fermentation and then aged in 500L French Oak puncheons for 15 months.

69% Cabernet Franc, 14% Merlot, 11% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Malbec

100% Frankland River

Certified Organic, Vegan Friendly

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