



Little Giant Free Grenache 2021

Grape Variety:	100% Grenache
Region:	McLaren Vale
Winemaker:	Corey Ryan & Mike Brown
Closure:	Cork
Alcohol:	14.5%
Pack Size:	6 Bottle Pack

Summary: The southern hairy-nose wombat is smaller than other wombats but is stocky, robust and the proud state emblem of South Australia. Like the might of the little wombat, Little Giant is crafted from premium regional South Australian fruit from established vineyards that deliver character and interest well above their size and weight.

Little Giant gets a natural and organic makeover thanks to some authentic lo-fi winemaking. The wines are the result of a collaboration between Gemtree vineyards and Corey Ryan of Little Giant – the wines will be exclusively sourced from a single estate vineyard in McLaren Vale. These are fresh, immediately drinkable, deliciously food friendly wines that are the essence of one of South Australia’s favourite wine regions.

Winemaking: Sourced from a single site vineyard in McLaren Vale that is farmed organically and biodynamically. Small 3-5 tonne batches of high-quality hand-picked fruit were fermented separately in open top fermenters. Minimal daily plunging ensued to gently build colour and the tannin profile without over extraction before being transferred partially to older oak and the remainder to stainless steel tank for maturation prior to blending and bottling.

Vintage 2021: After a forgettable 2020 winemakers in McLaren Vale were buoyed by what can only be described as a dream vintage. The great season was due to a wet winter, allowing the vines to grow a good canopy followed by a cool, dry summer which ensured even ripening. The results saw not just great quality fruit but yields were up too. A great vintage for the Vale.

Tasting Note: Light garnet in colour, quite a pale and translucent red hinting at lighter bodied. Captivating aromatics that capture vibrant and jube raspberry jam with just a hint of savoury complexity and gentle earthiness. Medium weighted palate reminiscent of Pinot Noir with a good core of concentrated red fruit, some subtle spice and cleansing acidity on the finish.