

NAGAMBIE LAKES



TAHBILK

EST. 1860

2021 GRENACHE SHIRAZ MOURVÈDRE

WINE REGION:	Nagambie Lakes
FRUIT SOURCE:	Tahbilk Estate
GRAPE VARIETY:	Grenache 36% Shiraz 33% Mourvèdre 31%
MATURATION:	All varieties spent from 12 to 18 months in a mix of new and older French & American oak.
ACID:	6.3 g/l
pH:	3.42
ALCOHOL:	14% v/v



VINTAGE 2021

La Nina had a major influence on the 2020/21 growing season. Tahbilk experienced good rainfall post 2020 vintage, and regular rainfall through the year. Notwithstanding the challenges this presented for the vineyard team, who worked diligently to get their sprays on as required, the frequent rain days ensured the vineyards looked healthy and vibrant, with no disease or growth issues. The effects of La Nina contributed to a cool to warm, but not hot summer, which meant a slow and steady ripening. By mid-March we'd picked all of the whites with all very promising – Marsanne in particular. We'd also picked some reds by mid-March, mostly for Rosé, however daily light showers that followed had us all nervously waiting for the rain to stop so we could start picking the reds in earnest. The rain did stop and, after a lull in ripening, the reds jumped in sugar and the Winery staff were flat out keeping up with the picking. For a vintage that looked touch and go quite a few times, 2021 will be rated a very good, to potentially stellar, vintage.

Jo Nash
General Manager & Chief Winemaker

ABOUT THE WINE

Established in 1860, Tahbilk is located in the premium Central Victorian viticultural region of Nagambie Lakes. Purchased by Reginald Purbrick in 1925, five generations of the Purbrick family have been actively involved in Tahbilk bringing a tradition of pride, hard work and a love of good wine to their unique heritage of being the oldest family owned winery and vineyard in Victoria. Tahbilk can trace its history with the varietals that make up this blend back to 1860 and Estate Shiraz vines that still survive today. In more recent times these elder statesmen plantings have been joined by Grenache and Mourvèdre providing the synergistic opportunity to produce an Estate interpretation of the classic French Rhone Valley blending of the three. Critical and consumer acclaim continues to grow for this new member of the Tahbilk Red's portfolio, along with a glowing Wine Show record.

TASTING NOTE

"From Estate Shiraz vines that date back to Tahbilk's founding in 1860, to our more recent plantings of Grenache and Mourvedre, we have an enduring history with these three varietals. With a close to equal blend of all three, each brings its own character to the mix. From its bright and savoury red berry and cherry Grenache qualities; to pepper, spice and plummy Shiraz fruits and Mourvèdre's fleshy, floral and dried herb notes; delicious enjoyment is at hand. Patience and further cellaring will realise additional complexity."

Alister Purbrick
4th Generation and Winemaker

