



**SYRAH ROSE' 2022 & GRENACHE 2022**

*Pyrenees*

*Over the years we have been tempted to make a "second" wine but always came back to the driving force of our core philosophy which restricted any source of quality grapes... being, it had to be certified organic!*

*After seeing the results that Joshua has had from the Pyrenees Vineyards of M. Chapoutier and how the wines have evolved we knew this had huge potential.*

*This was all confirmed after a site visit last summer.*

*Great site and abundant soil derived traits...think shale, mudstone and quartz aplenty!*

*The vineyards are Certified organic, grown with skill and great care.*

*All the things that fully aligned with our own vision and goals.*

*It was an easy decision to move forward.*

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The labels pictify, in different light, the reverse of the monolithic signage, situated on the hill top overlooking the vineyard and entrance to the estate!



**Cobaw Ridge Syrah Rose 2022**

A new wine from Cobaw Ridge and one that took a bit of deliberation. Indeed, this is an excursion off the estate, sourced from Shay's Flat in the Pyrenees, a certified organic site that a few Central Vic winemakers know well. This one is made in the Cobaw Tinajas, a suite of terracotta amphora that house other of their 'domestic' wines. Intrigue!

It's a salty, minerally, high toned rose with a strong sense of tart red berries, crunchy cranberry, dusting of herbal, near alpine greenery and a whiff of white balsamic to lift it all. The palate is minerally plus, in the parlance, and shows more of the bouquet with a decided zing that feels refreshing and interesting though some technocrats may take umbrage, and fair enough. Crispness and crunch in that texture too – thank you for refreshing each sip – though you'd also call it a little hazy. Lovely stuff.

Mike Bennie -The Wine Front

Rated : **93** Points

\$46



**Cobaw Ridge Grenache 2022**

For Grenache enthusiasts, and those that know their way around a Cobaw Ridge wine or two, this should be a pretty exciting proposition even before pouring a glass. Shay's Flat vineyard, Pyrenees, organic (certified) vines and the x-factor of the great Cooper family. A coup. New wine, new horizon away from the family farm.

While it's got some concentration and slurp to it there's a strong sheath of lacy, minerally tannin, some grunty, dried herb/minty/alpine elements and shiitake mushroom in the mix of scents and flavours, alongside a blood orange tang of acidity and a rise of gravelly earthiness. It's substantial in its way but tightens up to a lingering chew and pucker. Structure galore. A serious feeling grenache but with that succulence and drinkability of best-of grenache examples from cooler places around the globe, and can we say a Nebbiolo - like energy and draw of tannin. Fantastic, is the message.

Mike Bennie -The Wine Front

Rated : **95** Points

\$70