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Grape Variety
53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 47% Shiraz

Vineyard Region
Wrattonbully, McLaren Vale, Barossa Valley, Coonawarra, Robe, Padthaway

Wine Analysis
Alc/Vol: 14.5%, Acidity: 7.0 g/L, pH: 3.64

Maturation
12 months in American oak hogsheads (32% new, 37% 1-y.o., 31% 2-y.o.)

Vintage Conditions
Autumn and early winter rainfall were above the long-term average. Rain stopped abruptly in early August with only light showers observed throughout spring. The dry and cool spring period affected canopy growth early in the season. Warm and dry conditions during flowering and fruit-set resulted in rapid grapevine growth and early flowering. A high rainfall event occurred in Coonawarra in January, mostly falling outside of veraison, and February delivered weekend heat spikes. Wrattonbully had a warm and generally dry ripening end to the season which allowed for the development on strong varietal flavours.

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