# PARKER ESTATE

Each vintage, our winemakers keep a few special barrels aside allowing them to experiment with various varietal, vineyard and regional compositions. These wines are as limited as they are unique and as such, are generally only made available through our cellar door.

## SMALL BATCH WINE (SBW) BAILEY BLOCK CABERNET FRANC 2024

The Abbey Vineyard has always been a celebration of the Bordeaux varieties and their suitability on the famous terra rossa soils of Coonawarra. This is the first release of the 2020 plantings of Cabernet Franc vines in the vineyard, which you can see as you drive down to the cellar door, lined up perfectly along the lawn. The wine is lovingly named after Kirsty Bailey, our longest standing staff member, and the Cabernet Franc block named after her.

#### **VITICULTURE**

Whilst the vines are young, their suitability to the region and terroir are undeniable in this early drinking, vibrant expression of Cabernet Franc. 2024 was a wonderful vintage, with a dry winter, followed by a wet spring and a mild to dry ripening period. The perfect ingredients.

## WINEMAKING

After the berries were harvested, they spent six days fermenting on skins. Gentle extraction, followed by just five months oak maturation in large, old oak puncheons and oak eggs (that's right, oak eggs!)

# TASTING NOTES

Colour | Purple, vibrant and bright

Aromas | Red fruits, violets, black currant and mulberry

Palate | Earthy, red berry notes, textural acidity and soft juicy tannins.

#### **ANALYSIS**

Alcohol | 13.5% Sugar | Dry

Vegan



