# PRIMO ESTATE

2023 JOSEPH NEBBIOLO

Joe Grilli, Primo Estate's owner and winemaker, uses precious Nebbiolo fruit from the Adelaide Hills, resulting in a distinctly South Australian interpretation of this beguiling Italian variety.

## **TASTING NOTE**

Expansive fragrance of Turkish Delight and roses overlaid with more delicate notes of spice and violet. Turkish delight is the dominant note on the palate with a long, dry finish.

### **VINEYARD REGIONS**

The cool climate and high altitude of the Adelaide Hills region provides ideal conditions for producing a wine with the characteristic high acidity and tannins of Nebbiolo. The soil and altitude, combined with our labour-intensive viticultural regime, results in a small crop of evenly ripened fruit.

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2023 harvest was remarkably late due to a cooler season preceded by strong rainfall.

Yields were lower than previous years, but the extended ripening period gave great fruit quality.

#### WINEMAKING

Crushed directly into traditional open-topped fermenters with manual pump over. Open-topped fermentation is at the heart of the JOSEPH red wine style, Joe Grilli says 'The soul of a red wine is released where air meets the fermenting skins'. Just six barriques were made, one of them a new French oak barrel from the 'Gamba' cooperage in Asti, Piedmont.

Harvest Handpicked in April 2023 Grapes Nebbiolo Oak 18 months in a combination of new and aged French oak barriques Alcohol 13.0% Winemakers Joe Grilli & Tom Garrett **Peak drinking** Will reward 5-10 years of cellaring. **Food** Truffles or slow cooked ox-tail on polenta.



