



## Bink Wines

2020

# 'MEISJE'

*Alicante Bouchet* | *Barossa Valley - Australia*



NATURAL



ORGANIC



VEGAN



ZERO/ZERO

### Stats

**Grapes:** 100% Alicante Bouchet  
**Vineyard:** Single site in Vine Vale  
**Vine Age:** 17-years-old  
**Soil Type:** Sandy topsoil over cracking red clay  
**Viticulture:** Practicing Organic  
**Fermentation:** Native in stainless steel - 100% destemmed  
**Skin Contact:** 14 days  
**Aging:** 7 months in neutral 400L tonneau  
**pH:** 3.52  
**Total Acidity:** 6.2 g/L  
**Total SO<sub>2</sub>:** 11 ppm  
**Total Production:** 44 cases

### Reviews

Vinous | 91 points

### About

'Meisje', pronounced 'Mashe', is Dutch for 'little girl.' Koen's son tasted the wine from barrel and coined that name for the wine and who is to argue with their child? This wine comes from a single site on the sandy soils of Vine Vale. Alicante is still relatively unknown across the globe but at home in southern France it produces intense, dark, powerful red wines. Alicante is a teinturier, one of the few red grapes with both red flesh as well as skins. Koen handles this grape with kid gloves and has very, very gentle extraction and also retains plenty of natural acidity, though still has the trademark intensity of hue of Alicante.

The fruit was handpicked in mid-February and entirely destemmed. It was fermented dry on skins, which lasted roughly ten days and then spend another four days post fermentation macerating. It was pressed to a single seasoned 400L French puncheon for maturation. After seven months the wine was racked to tank and bottled without fining, filtration or a sulfur addition.

### Tasting Note

Super dark in color, very inky. Dried cranberries with a soft musky hint and crushed plums. Fresh start in mouth with musky mid pallet and plums till the end. Plush tannins linger all the way. Love how this wine has summer and winter appeal.