



Ochota Barrels

2021

'THE PRICE OF SILENCE'

Gamay | Adelaide Hills - Australia



NATURAL



ORGANIC



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Gamay

Vineyard: Eureka Vineyard

Vine Age: Average: 19-years-old

Soil Type: Clay loam with veins of quartz on a former gold mine

Viticulture: Practicing organic - sustainable

Fermentation: Native - 50% whole-cluster open top for six days - 50% whole-cluster carbonic for three weeks

Skin Contact: 50% for six days - 50% for three weeks

Aging: 5 months in an old French puncheon

Alcohol: 12.3%

Total Production: 544 cases

About

Gamay held a special place in Amber & Taras' heart and so did hardcore punk music. Both of those things combine here with one of the finest new world (or any world) Gamays named after one of their favorite Aussie hardcore bands. The fruit for 'The Price of Silence' originally came from an incredible nearly 40-year-old vineyard but unfortunately that site succumbed to the devastating wildfires in the Hills in 2020. Amber and Taras had worked with the Eureka Vineyard in Woodside prior as it was a component of 'Texture Like Sun'. There is less visible granite in the soil here than the previous site but that doesn't take anything away from the perfumed aromatics and bony structure of this wine.

The fruit was hand-harvested and placed into small half-ton fermenters. Half of the grapes were fermented whole-bunch carbonic for three weeks and the other half fermented entirely whole-cluster but open top with gentle hand plunging for roughly a week. The lots were basket-pressed directly to 500L French puncheons where the wine aged for five months. The wine was then blended to tank to settle naturally and bottled without fining or filtration and only a small 40ppm hit of sulfur dioxide.

Tasting Note

Smells like an amaro or chinato! Like that. Cola, cherry, cranberry, sarsaparilla, fennel, mint, wormwood. Pretty and silky in feel in the palate but all those amaro-like characters there too. So fine, light and beautiful in texture. Utterly delicious. Compelling.