



Ochota Barrels

2022

'BOTANICALS OF THE BASKET RANGE'

Aromatized Wine | *Adelaide Hills - Australia*



NATURAL



ORGANIC



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 50% Pinot Noir - 50% Pinot Meunier

Vineyard: Sam Vigara's Vineyard

Vine Age: 37-years-old

Soil Type: Heavy red clay over granite

Viticulture: Practicing organic

Fermentation: Native – 100% pressed juice from all of the ferments (primarily whole-cluster)

Skin Contact: 18 hours (pre-botanical maceration) - 2 weeks in total

Aging: 5 months in two seasoned French barriques and one old 100L barrel

Alcohol: 12.3%

Total Production: 50 cases

UPC: None

About

Vermouth-inspired, Basket Range-bred, Ochota family created...Botanicals is a wine that truly has no boundaries or class and genteel words lack meaning when attempting to summarize this elixir, so let the family dictate more eloquently this vinous concoction. This wine was always a labor of love for Amber and Taras and continuing this wine was always in the plan. Amber elaborates, "soonce again this summer, the children and i took our little cane basket into the garden.... followed by our ducks and chickens, cats and the dog... we talked about taras as we collected bunches of botanicals grown all around the wine studio.... these botanicals were gently submerged in a delicious ferment throughout vintage...some of the botanicals infused were... sage....wild fennel....wormwood.... elderflower....lemon balm....bay leaf....river mint....thyme....lavender....rosemary....lemon verbena....rose petals... marigolds."

The fruit was hand-picked throughout February and March. It was pressed, then infused with a bouquet of homegrown botanicals. Gravity was used to rack the wine off the botanicals and into two seasoned French barriques, where it remained for about five months.

Tasting Note

A bright, fresh, herbal tea of a wine. Gather a crew, chill it to the bone, consume at pace. Very herby, pure-feeling, faintly sweet but then very dry to finish. Lots of fennel, sage, mint in this. So fine and frisky. Super stuff here.