



# An elegant style that is typical of the Clare Valley region, characterised by bright lively aromas, subtle fruit flavours.

# 2021 SAMANTHA'S GARDEN CLARE VALLEY

Produced from the fruit of up to three distinct sub-regions with vastly different soil profiles. The elevation of these sites gives the wine a more natural acidity and provides a natural, lively, fine-bone profile.

Between Adelaide and the Clare Valley the landscape is a sea of golden yellow wheat fields, an obvious choice for this label's colour.

**Soil** Grey, silty loam with sandstone, sandy loam on clay with slate/red-brown earth over limestone.

Vine age 20-25 years

Elevation 200-320m

Average rainfall 480-550mm

Sub district Armagh, White Hut.

## THE GARDEN SERIES

Fascinated about isolating a wine to its region and wanting to define and showcase the individual characteristics of the best Australian Shiraz growing regions, Two Hands have successfully demonstrated regionality within Australian Shiraz for many years with the Garden Series. Showcasing six wines, each sourced from a premium Shiraz growing region in Australia, all handled identically in terms of vinification and maturation on the Two Hands' estate winery in Marananga, the Garden Series accurately reflects the soil, climate and other aspects of each unique region.

## **TASTING NOTES:**

Written by Two Hands Proprietor Michael Twelftree in 2022

COLOUR: Deep concentrated purple to black hues

AROMA: Exciting aromas of rhubarb, dark cherries, warm bark, glazed fruits, blue berries, cedar, backed by cracked pepper and incense

PALATE: "The fruit lays across the palate very evenly, it is is poised and sophisticated on entry. Clare Valley's hallmark signature characteristics of soft, feminine and smooth wine is the order of the day. Samantha's Garden has a gentle and caressing nature, and flavours build layer after layer of persistent fruit. There is a lot to love here, the evenness, and that every element is here with a little bit of restraint. The juicy fruits turn dry in the late palate and the tannins are fine, delicate and offer a lovely velvety texture on finish. This wine is built for the long haul in a cellar, it has all the necessary elements for a wine to have a very long life. Personally, I love the red wines of Clare Valley, they have an inner nerve and energy that shows how brilliant Shiraz from a cool and elevated region can hold restraint and elegance. They have the ability to also never become over blown or hard work on the palette. Seamlessness is the best way to describe the sensation I find for the best red wines of Clare, and our 2021 Samantha's has it in spades." - MT

### WINEMAKING

Crushed and fermented in a five tonne open top fermenter with regular pump overs (twice daily) to control fermantaion, extract colour, flavour and tannins.

Average time 'on skins' was 10 days before the dry free run juice was drained to tank and the pressings combined. The wine was then racked to barrel, where malolactic fermentation took place. Samantha's Garden was bottled unfined and unfiltered.

MATURATION: Aged for 18 months in 2-6 year old French oak hogsheads, with 15% new French oak.