Alpha Box & Dice Blood of Jupiter Sangiovese, McLaren Vale 2021

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2023 Vintage

Alpha Box & Dice

— Mclaren Vale, Australia

Decanter
External 2025

The Blood of Jupiter celebrates all that is joyous about the Sangiovese grape. For the first time in AB&D's recent histroy, the Blood of Jupiter is a straight Sangiovese from a single vineyard and the literal translation of the word Sangiovese.

Production

100% Sangiovese is hand harvested from the Paxton 'Gateway Vineyard' in McLaren Vale which was planted in 2005 in brown Sandy-loam over limestone calcrete. This vineyard sits on a north facing ridge so gets the sun all day. This is a fully biodynamic vineyard, although not formally certified as such. Grapes are handpicked, then destemmed with rollers out, retaining as much whole berry as possible and fermented until dry on skins(10 days) with wild yeast. The wine spends 12 months on full lees in new and old French barriques (20%new). Blended into cask for ageing for 12 more months. Only a small production.

Tasting note

Morello cherries, dusty, dark chocolate, blood oranges and warm spices on the nose. Soft and full palate weight with supportive tannins to the finish. Playful and active –it lights up all the parts of your mouth. An amazing thing, this wine illustrates exactly AB&D's ambitions to nod with respect to European heritage but to have the courage to have a local expression.

Food Match

Juicy rare steak (obvs), porchetta or an aubergine parmigiana.

ABV:
14.90%

Case/Bottle Size:
6x 75cl

Closure:
Screwcap

Appellation:
Mclaren Vale

Winemaker:
Sam Berketa

Grape Varieties:
Sangiovese 100%

Suitable for:
Vegan

Allergen Info:
Contains Sulphites and No Other Allergens

Bottle Barcode:
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