



AMPHITHEATRE SYRAH 2019 MARLBOROUGH

VINEYARD	Brookby Hill
SUB REGION	Southern Valleys
SOIL TYPE	Windblown loess over clay
CLONES	Stoncroft & Chave
PH	3.70
TA	4.8 g/l
RS	< 1 g/l
ALCOHOL	12.5%

Amphitheatre alludes to our natural amphitheatre-shaped Brookby Hill Vineyard.

Winemaker: David Clouston

HARVEST & WINEMAKING:

After a beautifully warm but excessively dry summer, harvest began three weeks early. It was a stunning vintage with pristine fruit, small berries, and great concentration. Hand harvested from our single cane, high density planted vines, in a hot pocket site grown at the top of our Brookby Hill Vineyard. The fruit was fermented in an open top tank and a clay amphora with 30% whole bunch clusters. The wine was then lightly pressed into 25% new and seasoned French oak barrels and aged for 11 months before being bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES:

Lifted aromas of blueberry and mulberry combine with cigar box and coffee bean to create a smoky character on the nose. The palate is in the savoury spectrum with bright dark fruit and perfumed flavours shining through. This wine is bright and fresh with chalky tannins, silky mouthfeel and great energy.