

AMATOVINO

2014 Teroldego

(pron: te-ROLL-de-go)

Deep, brooding colour. Dark black/redfruits dominate the nose: blackberry, dark plum, mulberry... tarry/cherry and spicy, with heady perfume and brambly earth and dried herbs adding to the mix. Hints of cedar/pine and a dusty pencil oak character – a fruit-derived varietal character rather than any influence from the aged oak in which the wine matured. Hits the high notes with floral tones, and the bass notes with intense fruit concentration.

The palate is structured and firm, however whilst acid/tannins are in clear evidence the palate is densely packed and sweet-fruited, showing blackberry, dense plums, eastern spice, tar, black cherry and cola. A bold wine, upright and structured, yet approachable in its youth. Best enjoyed with food.



With rare meats/carpaccio, cherry BBQs, bold pastas and pizza.

Technical Information

Harvest:	April 7th, 2014
Fermentation/ Maturation:	Open ferment – stainless steel – 20% wholebunch, daily hand-plunging 22 days on skins. Aged French oak for 18 months
Bottled:	Unfiltered, unfined, November 17th, 2015
Alcohol:	14.2%
TA:	5.8 g/l
pH:	3.7
Production:	95 dozen
Location:	Yallingup, single vineyard
Soil:	Free-draining lateritic soil, gravel over loam
Elevation:	50m
Planted:	2001 and 2007
Rainfall:	1100mm
Region:	Margaret River

Awards and Accolades

James Halliday, Wine Companion 2017 - 92 Points

20% whole bunch. 22 days on skins. 18 months in French oak. 95 dozen. Oak adds a plushness to complex fruit/spice flavours. Hazelnut, sweet-sour cherries, fresh garden herbs and licorice. Long chains of dry tannin through the finish work to emphasis the wine's point of difference. Oak aside you'd categorise it as 'an intellectual wine'.

Gary Walsh, The Wine Front, Sept 2017 - 93 Points

A nice healthy 22 days on skins. Hazelnuts in dark chocolate, blackcurrant, amaro herbs, dusty spices. Medium bodied, but dense and chewy, all those adult flavours and such fun to roll around the mouth. A veritable shag pile carpet of tannin, clean fresh blackberry acidity (and flavour), new leather and aromatic herbs on the finish. Charismatic, all right. It's much more chunky than Teroldego from Italy, but a distinctive wine all the same. I like it.

Ray Jordan, The West Australian Wine Guide 2017 - 92 Points

A really interesting variety that hails from north-east Italy. This is a dark and lush with black fruits, chocolate and earthy notes throughout...Really fruity with a savoury earthiness that carries the long palate.



Background

Indigenous to the north-east Italian province of Trentino-Alto Adige, Teroldego is widely planted in the alluvial valley floors to the north of the capital, Trento. In the Trentino sub-region wine is made from Teroldego grapes under the DOC of Teroldego Rotaliano. The name is thought to have derived from a traditional method of wire trellising (tirelle). Recent DNA testing has revealed that Teroldego is the parent of Lagrein.