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Kangaroo Island Wines

little island red fizz NV

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Springs Road runs east/ west across the Northern part of Kangaroo Island, South Australia. Spring Road vineyard was established in 1994 on a small sheep property off Springs Road about 7km west of Kingscote.

little island wine by Springs Road Wines Kangaroo Island

The label is inspired by the front cover of a short history of Kangaroo Island that was published in 1951 by the Kingscote branch of the CWA (Country Women's Association).

Kangaroo Island is actually quite big. It's Australia's 3rd biggest island after Tasmania and Melville Island, and is up to 155km long and 55km wide. Look at it on a map next to the mainland however, and you can hardly see it.

Vineyards

Purchased in 2016, the vineyards are now owned and operated by Joch Bosworth and Louise Hemsley-Smith from McLaren Vale's Battle of Bosworth wines. Vines were planted by the previous owners between 1994 and 2000.

Vineyards are on predominantly sandy loam soils over limestone and marl (clay) with some patches of Bay of Biscay soils (black cracking clays), interspersed with some ironstone. Soils are shallow and relatively infertile. We have a low annual average rainfall, between 400-500mm annually.

Vintage

We make a lovely complex base wine by blending different vintages of our KI Shiraz and Cabernet.

Winemaking

Grapes are harvested and brought back to our Willunga winery before being crushed and fermented on their skins in open vessels. We have selected various components of our KI Shiraz and Cabernet from various vintages to create a base wine with complexity, texture and flavour before it undergoes its secondary ferment and acquires its fizz.

The component wines have spent various amounts of time in French oak of varied ages to help create a delicious base from which to create the little island fizz. (the blend is made up of 55% Shiraz and 44% Cabernet Sauvignon).

Tasting note

Colour is a very deep cherry red. A bright fresh sparkling red with a hint of aniseed on the nose, cherry cola and a fine bead. The palate has a lovely complexity borne of the slightly older components of Cabernet and Shiraz which form the basis of this wine.

Tech details

Picking date — all dates
Vineyard Block — Kate's Block (whole bunch component) and A Block Kangaroo Island
Alcohol — 14.5%
Bottled — 6th March 2023

