

## Kilikanoon

Named in honor of Bruce Baudinet, a partner at Kilikanoon and owner of the vineyards from which the Mataro and Shiraz are sourced, this wine exemplifies balance and complexity.





Baudinet Blend Grenache - Shiraz -Mataro 2019

Clare Valley, Australia

### Region and Vineyards

The grapes for this **2019 Baudinet GSM** blend are sourced from the renowned **Clare Valley** region, located on Ngadjuri land in South Australia. Known for its diverse microclimates and varied soil types, Clare Valley provides ideal growing conditions for red varieties. The **2019 vintage** faced a mix of dry conditions with cooler-than-average temperatures, resulting in smaller yields of highly concentrated, flavor-rich fruit. Despite some extreme weather events, including record low spring temperatures and an exceptionally hot summer, the red varieties displayed remarkable resilience, producing grapes with intense flavors and balanced acidity.

The Clare Valley's unique terroir, characterized by its dry climate and well-drained soils, adds structure and depth to the Grenache, Shiraz, and Mataro grapes. This combination of conditions yields a wine that expresses the classic Clare Valley character with a powerful and layered profile.

## Winemaking

Each varietal in the **Baudinet Blend**—**Grenache**, **Shiraz**, **and Mataro**—is harvested separately at optimal ripeness to capture the best of its flavor profile. Traditional winemaking techniques, including **hand plunging**, **délestage**, **and basket pressing**, are used in small open fermenters to gently extract color, tannins, and flavors from the grapes. After pressing, each batch is aged for **14 months in seasoned French oak barrels**, enhancing complexity and integration without overpowering the fruit. This careful aging process allows the individual characters of each grape to blend seamlessly, creating a wine with great depth and a refined structure.

The resulting cuvée is crafted with meticulous attention to detail, achieving a harmonious balance between fruit intensity, savory elements, and refined tannins, making it a versatile and age-worthy wine.

Alcohol :14,50 % Composition: 40% Grenache, 30% Syrah, 30% Mataro





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#### **Tasting Notes**

- **Color**: Deep garnet red with a vibrant purple hue.
- **Aroma**: A complex bouquet of blackberry, plum, and spice, with undertones of tanned leather and fresh lavender.
- **Palate**: Concentrated and seamless, featuring flavors of red plum, cherry, and blackberry. The wine has a savory backbone with subtle hints of smoke and tar, supported by silky, plush tannins that lead to a long, expressive finish. Continues to evolve beautifully as it airs in the glass.

### Did You Know?

The **Kilikanoon Baudinet Blend** has garnered significant acclaim, winning multiple trophies, including the **International Wine Challenge Triple Trophy** for **Clare Valley Red**, **South Australian Red**, and **Australian Red**, showcasing its exceptional quality and craftsmanship.

### Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Slow-cooked lamb with rosemary and thyme**: The wine's depth and tannic structure pair well with the savory richness of lamb.
- **Duck confit with cherry reduction**: Complements the wine's plum and cherry flavors, enhancing its complexity.
- **Mushroom and truffle risotto**: Highlights the earthy, smoky notes in the wine.
- Aged hard cheeses like Comté or Manchego: Complements the wine's concentrated fruit and tannin profile.

#### Robert Parker (RP): 93 Points (2019)



The 2019 Baudinet Blend Grenache Shiraz Mataro is glossy and full throttle in flavor without being particularly heavy in the mouth. Satsuma plum, mulberry, raspberry, dark chocolate, bramble, a hint tobacco, layers of star anise and clove pepper the finish. This is an elegant wine, with nice grippy/gently gritty tannins that frame the fruit. Despite the moderate alcohol, it feels a little boozy to me. 14.5% alcohol, sealed under screw cap. This wine won three trophies at the International Wine Challenge in 2021.





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