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## 2012 Ochota Barrels 'The Fugazi Vineyard' Grenache McLaren Vale

The Fugazi Vineyard was allegedly named from a quirk - the post-hardcore punk band Fugazi was playing on Taras and Amber's car stereo as they arrived at the vineyard, which sits on a rise between the Onkaparinga River Gorge and Blewitt Springs in McLaren Vale. The grapes are handpicked and undergo a 7 day cold soak. 70% whole-cluster fermentation occurs naturally without inoculation and the juice spends 82 days on skins! This is a pure expression of Grenache, checking in at a modest 13.8% alcohol with a pH of 3.52.

A fragrant thread of garrigue, ground Asiatic spices and charcuterie is underpinned with violets and elderberry. The taut natural tension of compact nervy red currents and Satusuma plum fills the mid palate with mouth-watering berry fruit intensity. Finely grained tannins position this svelte, fleshy and measured weight of forest cherries and persimmon into a long succulent and savory finish.

Region: McLaren Vale Varietal: 100% Grenache

Vintage: 2012

Vineyard: The Fugazi Vineyard

Vine Age: 65 years old Yield: 1.2 tons per acre

Soil Type: Ironstone & Gravel infused Red Clay

TA: 6.4 grams per liter

**pH:** 3.52

**Alcohol: 13.8%** 

Oak: 7 months in seasoned French barrique

Production: 188 cases