

"The common theme of these wines is brightness and freshness of the varietal fruit expression, coupled with effortless balance and length. He [Alan Varney] is a brilliant winemaker. His ability to draw the varietal heart of each wine he makes is extraordinary" - James Halliday AM, Wine Companion 2021



2023 VARNEY WINES MENCÍA

THE VINEYARDS

Sourced from approximately 10-year-old vines at Oliver's Taranga Vineyard Seaview, McLaren Vale.

WINEMAKING

Picked early. Fermented cool. Some whole bunch carbonic maceration. 8 days on skins prior to pressing to seasoned French Barriques for short 6 week maturation prior to blending and bottling. 100% Mencía.

TECH SPECS

- 100% Mencía
- 100 Dozen bottles made
- 13.7% Alc/vol

ACCLAIM

95 Points - Ned Goodwin MW, Halliday Wine Companion 95 Points - James Halliday, Weekend Australian

TASTING

This emerging varietal is a light style with great colour. It's a young wine with plenty of vibrancy. Very youthful floral aromatics with a touch of baking spice. It has a succulent palate dripping with fruit and spice. This wine pairs perfectly with juicy lamb.