

# ORPHEUS & THE RAVEN

## 2023 - SWANSONG - GEWÜRZTRAMINER

*The concept behind The Swansong range of wines, has evolved from the first release in 2016. In a 2020 vintage dominated by a global pandemic, Raven's wise words to Orpheus rings true more than ever:*

*“ Don't wait for tomorrow, Orpheus!  
The Art of Life is in the moment,  
Tomorrow's song may never be heard...”*

*Raven implores us to seize the moment and revel therein,  
to compose our Song of Life before it's too late.*

### *Tasting notes*

The Orpheus & The Raven Swansong Gewürztraminer invites a profound journey of the senses, marked not only by its distinctive varietal expression but also by the poignant realization that this bottling represents the final harvest from the vineyards that nurtured it.

In the glass, it unveils a medium-yellow hue with a radiant golden undertone that hints at its richness. The aroma is lifted and perfumed, unfolding in layers that offer a bouquet of lychee, lemongrass, ripe finger lime, citrus nougat, tinned apricots, rose petals, preserved lemon, macadamia butter and an aromatic undertone of baby apricots and jasmine.

The wine continues its elegant presence on the palate, guided by a compelling interplay of acidity and fruit. As the flavours promised on the aroma persist and underline the wine's integrity, the pronounced acidity provides structure and balance to the wine's opulent fruit profile. While full-bodied in the way the fruit coats your mouth, adding richness, it maintains its lean finesse with remarkable poise. A nuanced mineral character adds a pithy texture and briny aftertaste for a lovely savoury twist.

This Gewürztraminer demonstrates remarkable versatility that will adapt to a myriad of culinary pairings. Whether enjoyed alongside a spicy curry, a prawn and mango summer salad, or a decadent dessert like malva pudding, it will complement the dining experience.

Enjoy how the wine lingers on the palate with fruit tannins, adding a subtle grip and extending into a finish of remarkable length. Meanwhile, the alcohol content lends a sense of warmth and viscosity, contributing to the wine's overall complexity.

With its expressive character, the Orpheus & The Raven Swansong Gewürztraminer promises immediate enjoyment and the potential for further evolution with age.

Alc - 13.5 %

RS - 4.7

pH - 3.34

TA - 6.5

Total SO2 - 122



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