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"Hiding under a pseudonym, Trousseau has been in Australia for years, often disregarded due to its early ripening tendency which can result in a flabby wine, particularly when made in a classic Australian style. We looked at it through a different lens and embraced that early ripening ability, celebrating the pretty fruits and earthy tones that make it such an alluring variety. A little more plush than my usual style of winemaking, it's got levels of complexity underpinning potpourri and wild berry tones.

~ Sam Berketa, Head Winemaker

<b>Name</b>	<b>Vintage</b>
Pâté	2023
<b>Variety</b>	<b>Region</b>
Trousseau	McLaren Vale / Adelaide Hills

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#### **Nose**

Strawberries, potpourri and spiced earth.

#### **Palate**

Plush and soft like a stuffed toy for your palate, there's a gentle structure punctuating a rounded mouthfeel.

#### **Pair**

Pâté and crudites.

#### **Winemaking**

Picked in the early morning, 100% destemmed, gently hand plunged twice daily, 3 weeks total time on skins. Naturally fermented, spontaneous MLF. Matured for 4 months in seasoned barrels.

#### **Vineyard**

Chalk Hill California Rd vineyard, McLaren Vale and Springhill vineyard, Adelaide Hills. Both are VSP spur pruned to a permanent cordon. 80m elevation with no aspect for McLaren Vale vineyard, Springhill vineyard has elevation of 380m-400m with a N aspect. Chalk Hill has heavy clay soils whilst Springhill has ironstone gravel embedded loam over sandstone base.

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<b>Alcohol</b>	<b>Acidity</b>
12.5%	5.4g/L

<b>pH</b>	<b>Cellaring</b>
3.76	10 Years

Alpha Box & Dice would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we make our wines and respect their ongoing connection to land, culture and sea. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

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