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"Year after year, this wine yields the most pleasant of surprises. Known as Trousseau in France and Bastardo in Portugal, this variety has been in the country for years. Often disregarded due to its early ripening tendency, but when you embrace this characteristic, you'll find pretty fruits and earthy tones. It's such a dainty little number, carrying layers of berries, spice and savoury notes all interwoven beautifully through a delicate acidity and playful tannins. Despite its light complexion, there's depth and character beneath a shy mystique."

~ Sam Berketa, Head Winemaker

<b>Name</b>	<b>Vintage</b>
Pâté	2024
<b>Variety</b>	<b>Region</b>
Trousseau	McLaren Vale

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#### **Nose**

Wild strawberries, potpourri, wet leaves.

#### **Palate**

Soft and smooth, the berry flavours build in intensity, encased in mushroomy forest floor characters. The acidity keeps things moving and the tannins are deftly knitted together to provide a chewy finish.

#### **Pair**

Pâté, cured meats and pickled goodies.

#### **Winemaking**

Harvested in the cool of morning. 100% destemmed, wild fermented on skins for 3 weeks. Gently hand plunged twice daily. Matured in seasoned barriques for 4 months. Full and spontaneous MLF.

#### **Vineyard**

Chalk Hill California Rd vineyard, McLaren Vale. Unknown Clone on old Merlot stocks. 80m elevation with no aspect. Reddish-brown clay loam over clay. VSP spur pruned with foliage wires.

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<b>Alcohol</b>	<b>Acidity</b>
13.3%	5.6g/L
<b>pH</b>	<b>Cellaring</b>
3.73	5 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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