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Terre à Terre Piccadilly Red 2018

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Terre à Terre is proud to present its first release of red blend coming mostly from Heysen Vineyard (Trousseau Noir, Mondeuse and Pinot Noir 667) and Summertown Vineyard (Merlot) in Piccadilly Valley, Adelaide Hills.

The vineyards are on the higher slopes of the Piccadilly Valley, in a very cool environment and mostly on clay soils. The Trousseau, Pinot Noir 667 and Mondeuse are East facing on a gentle slope, and the Merlot is on a steeper slope - East facing. All vineyards are managed by Terre à Terre, the vines are hand pruned like all our vineyards and all the fruit is carefully hand harvested.

The 2018 growing season in the Piccadilly Valley was slightly warmer than average at around 1,503 degree days compared to the long term average of 1,139 degree days. Rain was good in early Spring and late Summer and infrequent in between.

The Merlot and the Pinot Noir 667 were harvested on the 22nd March 2018 and chilled for six days. The Trousseau Noir and Mondeuse were hand harvested on 26th of March 2018 and also chilled for a couple of days. Trousseau Noir (53%), Mondeuse (6%), Pinot Noir 667 (28%) and Merlot (13%) were then co-fermented in open top fermenters.

After fermentation and maceration, the must was pressed off skins and racked to old 225L French oak *barriques* where it aged for 8 months. The wine was then bottled without fining or filtration early December 2018.

This **Experimental Assemblage** for Terre à Terre is a great new addition to the range. It is a blend in a Jura style, with Trousseau fruit leading the charge. The fruit is very crunchy and lively, the palate is simple, with medium length, and the result is a very appealing wine, a true *vin de soif* as we like to call them in France. Only 380 cases of 6 were produced. **RRP: \$32, Alc.: 13.9%v/v**

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