

## 2020 Josef Chromy Zweigelt

Colour	Dense, ruby red
Aroma	A touch of dolerite-inspired minerality underneath red cherry aromatics.
Palate	The palate is ripe and utterly juicy, embedded in balm-like texture and softened, fine tannins. Dense and fruit-forward characters of raspberry, boysenberry and ripe plums. Graphite edges offer vivid freshness.
Grapes	100% Zweigelt produced from a single block on our Relbia vineyard, Northern Tasmania. Grafted over in 2016 with production limited to a maximum of 2 T of fruit each vintage.  Originating in Austria from a crossing of Blaufranksich, known for its bite, and St Laurent, known for its body. Zweigelt is the third most widely planted red grape variety in the Czech Republic.
Winemaking	Early morning hand-pick of 1 T of fruit, destemmed whilst still cold into a small open-top fermenter. Cold-soaked for 2 days until wild yeast activity was evident, then inoculated with a yeast strain to promote fruit expression. Hand-plunged 2-3 times daily with 2 pump-overs. On skins for 11 days before being gently pressed into a settling tank for 2 days. Racked into 3 old, very tight grain French oak barrels. The wine underwent natural malolactic fermentation over 3 weeks and spent 9 months in barrel. Minimal sulphur added. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.
Cellaring	Ready to enjoy now or cellar until 2023.
Serving	Enjoy with seafood arrabbiata
Technical	Alc 13%, pH 3.3, TA 8.53 g/L, RS <2g/L (dry)

