

# THE OTHER WINE Co.



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## 2023 ARINTO RIVERLAND

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We have been working with Arinto from Ashley and Holly Ratcliffe's Ricca Terra Farms vineyard for several years now and we are loving the journey. Each year the fruit arrives at the winery, we are blown away by the natural acidity and fresh subtle fruit characters.

**Climate** | Sunny blue skies, red soils.

**Vineyard** | Ricca Terra Farms, Riverland

**Season** | La Niña weather for a third year running meant good winter and spring rainfall and healthy, balanced vine growth. The season developed with moderate crop levels and a cooler than average summer meant slow and even ripening in the vineyard. Fruit was harvested with excellent acidity and great flavour at lower alcohol.

**Winemaking** | Hand harvested. A portion of the fruit spent two weeks fermenting as whole bunches in a sealed fermenter before being pressed to old oak puncheons to finish the ferment. The balance of the fruit was cooled and gently whole bunch pressed. This crisp pure juice was run off to old oak to ferment. The two parcels rested on fine lees before blending and bottling in the winter.

**Nose** | Tahitian lime peel and crushed orange. Oyster shell and brown sugar.

**Palate** | Racy acidity, candied citrus and orange blossom screams Arinto through and through. Subtle flecks of strawberry add interest, while great phenolic texture makes for a chiselled finish on the back palate.

**Alcohol** | 13%

**Drink** | Ideal drinking now and for up to another 3 years.

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