



GRAND RUTHERGLEN MUSCAT

Variety:

Muscat á Petits Grains Rouges also known as 'Rutherglen Brown Muscat.'

Age/Classification:

Offering a stunning level of depth, intensity and concentration of flavours with an average blended age of 15-20 years. It is the third tier of the four classifications: Rutherglen, Classic, Grand and Rare.

Appearance:

Rich and viscous, caramelised butter in colour.

Aroma:

Molasses, toffee and dark chocolate.

Palate:

This wine is dark, dense and luscious. A superb balance of wood aged 'rancio' characters with rich flavours of Christmas cake, dried fig, espresso and almond.

Food pairing:

Rich chocolate tart, or a cheese platter with chocolate coated strawberries, fruit cake and roasted nuts.

Cellaring:

This wine has already been matured in barrels. Bottled in small amounts to achieve maximum freshness, we recommend consuming this wine within two years of purchase, as no further ageing will occur in the bottle. It will keep for some months once opened, although we recommend drinking within four weeks so you can enjoy the luscious freshness that is a hallmark of Rutherglen's unique fortified wines.

Winemaking notes:

If a parcel of fruit is regarded as particularly special, it will be kept apart after fortification and may eventually "graduate" to the Grand or Rare solera system. These wines do not come about every year, and are a product of exceptional vintages, combining depth of fruit with complexity of age. We draw off small quantities from our oldest collection of barrels and then fill these barrels with the next oldest collection. The youngest collection is only occasionally refilled, with wines that have already undergone many years of ageing and careful selection. The final blend is a combination of rich and intense parcels to create a wonderfully layered wine, often involving many generations of winemaking patience.

Specifications:

Size: 500 mL Alc/Vol: 18.5% Residual Sugar: 308g/L Titratable Acidity: 6.3g/L pH: 3.44

"Luscious and lingering, the Grand is one of our most awarded and sought-after wines. Patient maturation at our winery over many generations has created a wine with superb balance and depth of flavour."

Andrew Drumm, Winemaker