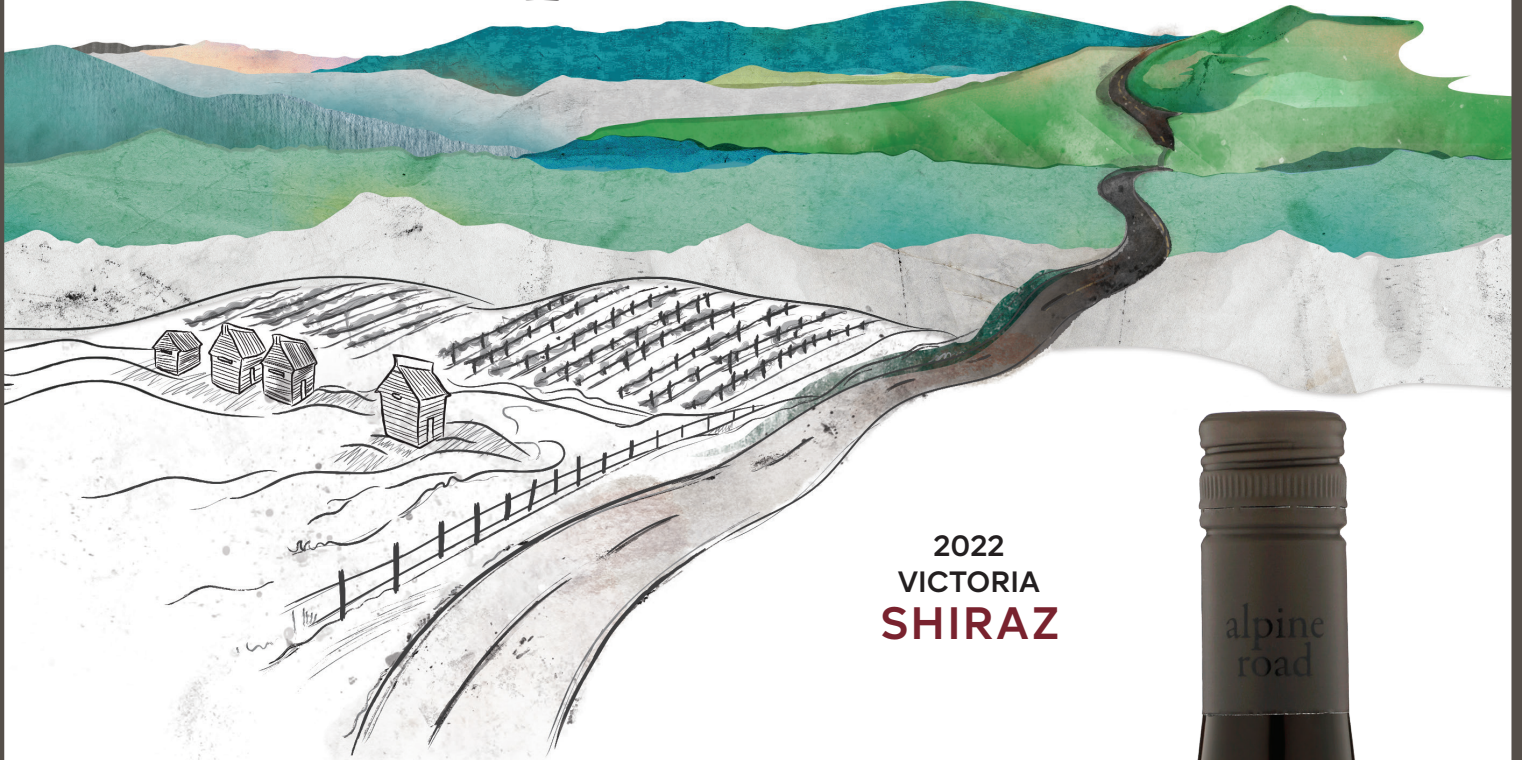


# alpine road



2022  
VICTORIA  
**SHIRAZ**

The Great Alpine Road stretches across Victoria's North-East, from the country town of Wangaratta over the Victorian Alps to the coastal settlement of Bairnsdale. The Alpine Road range of wines takes you on a similar journey. Visit a favourite place or discover an exciting new destination along a road less travelled.

## VINTAGE

The 2022 vintage was a challenging rollercoaster ride that included extreme weather, limited vintage staff availability and supply chain issues. Despite these challenges, the outcome has been red wines with intense flavour concentration, superb acid and tannin structure coupled with excellent fruit weight and complexity. An extremely high-quality vintage with strong aging-potential.

## MULTI-REGION FRUIT SOURCING

The Alpine Road range exemplifies our pursuit of intense, consistent and clear varietal expression. This is achieved across vintages by blending and crafting wines from fruit sourced from different regions within Victoria.

## WINEMAKING

The fruit for the 2022 Shiraz was picked in late March at 14.2° baumé. The grapes were picked in the cool early morning and fermented with specially selected yeast to extract and preserve their unique flavour expression. Regular pump overs continued for about 12 days with ferment temperatures reaching a peak of 26°C. The wine underwent MLF and oak maturation to build structure, complexity and varietal character.

## WINE

Fragrant blackberry, cherry and peppery spice aromas lead to a full, generous fruit palate. Rich chocolate, subtle oak and an exotic spicy edge provide style and balance, finishing long and warm.

Enjoy this wine with parrilla cooked sirloin steak with chimichurri sauce.

ALC/VOL: 14.5% pH: 3.43 TA: 6.57 g/L VEGAN FRIENDLY

## PACKAGING

Our packaging pays homage to history of the Great Alpine Road and the original Tobacco Road label while introducing a fresh colour palate and layered textures. It is a celebration of the journey of joyful discovery that is reflective of our Alpine Road wines.

## WINEMAKER

Toni Pla Bou



**GAPSTED ESTATE**