

About Coriolis

There are, every year, a selection of barrels that somehow seek a different path than to be part of the cuvées we craft under the Lillian label. A world away from barrels that get may be declassified or sold off in bulk at other wineries, these "black sheep" barrels are often some of the most precious in the cellar. By calling out these barrels as distinctive from Lillian, yet full of shimmering potential, we sit with them for a final blending session. The resultant wine lives under the name Coriolis.

The mathematical expression for the Coriolis force appeared in an 1835 paper by French scientist Gaspard-Gustave Coriolis, in connection with the theory of water wheels. The symbol of the water wheel serves as symbol for the conversion of free-flowing energy into useful forms of power. One hundred percent of the profits from the sale of this wine are donated to charity. In this way, this wine supports the conversion of ideas into powerful actions that serve a greater good.

About the Wine Syrah Coriolis 2019

A selection of fruit from the White Hawk and Ben Naciedo vineyards of the Central California coast. 2019 was a year with far cooler growing conditions than typical of the region. This cooler weather resulted in an extended growing season with no pressures to pick and a very long harvest. The fruit was immaculate but yields were almost absurdly small, resulting in fruit with elevated levels of energy and concentration. These are wines of particular intensity, crystallinity and verve.